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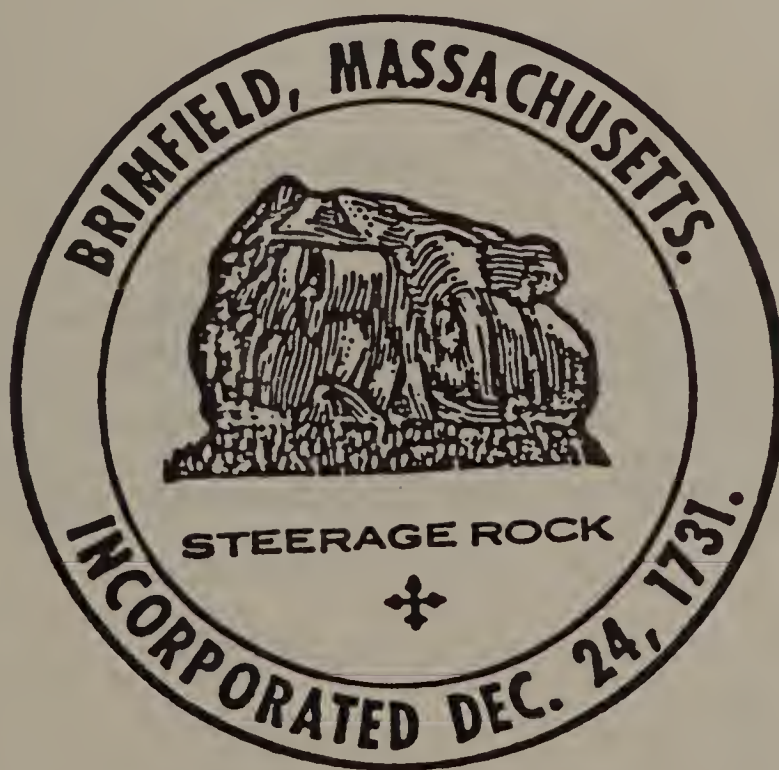




# ANNUAL REPORT

To The

# TOWN OF BRIMFIELD



BRIMFIELD  
PUBLIC  
LIBRARY

Including Receipts & Expenditures  
for the  
Fiscal Period Ending June 30, 1982

## TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

### Emergencies

Ambulance	245-7222
Ambulance (non-emergency)	245-7334
Fire Department	245-7222
Fire Department (non-emergency)	245-7334
Police Department	245-7222
Police Department (non-emergency)	245-3442
State Police (Sturbridge)	283-8711 347-3352
Civil Defense	245-7641

### Town Government

Assessors	245-7253
Building Inspector	245-7944
Health, Board of	245-9271 245-3363 245-7013
Highway Department	245-7223
Housing Authority	245-7503
Library	245-3518
Planning Board	245-9307
Selectmen	245-7253
Tax Collector	283-4786
Town Clerk	245-9694
Tree Warden	245-9830

### Schools

Brimfield Elementary	245-7337
Superintendent of Schools	347-3077 347-9014
Tantasqua Regional High School	347-9301
Tantasqua Regional Jr. High	347-7381

ANNUAL REPORT

TOWN OF  
BRIMFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

1981-1982

FOREWORD

The residents of Brimfield are encouraged to read, study and question this Annual Report for 1981-1982 reflecting the activities, growth, and progress of the Town. They are invited to call upon town officers and departments for any further information desired, or simply to comment on the reports. It is also suggested that this report be brought to the Annual Town Meeting.

GOVERNMENTAL INFORMATION

Brimfield is included in the:

Second Congressional District  
Seventh Councillor District  
Worcester - Franklin - Hampden -  
Hampshire Senatorial District  
First Hampden Representative  
District

U.S. Senators are:

Edward T. Kennedy, Boston  
Paul E. Tsongas, Lowell

Congressman, 2nd District is:

Edward P. Boland, Springfield

State Senator is:

Robert D. Wetmore, Barre

Representative to General Court is:

William Moriarty, Ware

County Commissioners are:

Leonard J. Collamore  
Thomas J. O'Connor  
Rita M. Tremble

Population	2428
Voters	1372
Republicans	213
Democrats	386
Independents	773



# TOWN OFFICERS - 1982

Term Expires

## TOWN CLERK

Doris S. Podlasek . . . . . 1985

## MODERATOR

Johnstone Prescott. . . . . 1983

## TREASURER

Joan A. Erban . . . . . 1985

## TAX COLLECTOR

Suzanne M. Chaffee, Resigned. . . . . 1985

Barbara Vail, Resigned. . . . . 1983

Suzanne Dubois, Resigned. . . . . 1983

Diane McIntosh. . . . . 1983

## SELECTMEN

Lee Adams . . . . . 1983

Jean McGann . . . . . 1983

Richard Raymond . . . . . 1983

Barbara McDowell, Secretary

## ASSESSORS

Thomas Keough . . . . . 1984

Louis H. Lavoie, Chairman . . . . . 1983

Richard Starkey . . . . . 1985

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Harry A. Peters, Jr., Chairman. . . . . 1984

Frances Tetreault . . . . . 1983

Carter Cooley . . . . . 1985

## TANTASQUA REG. DIST. SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Lee W. Adams. . . . . 1984

Michael P. Koprowski. . . . . 1984

## BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Richard D. May. . . . . 1984

Edward J. Killian . . . . . 1983

Clayton L. Thomas, M.D., Chairman . . . . . 1985

## CEMETERY COMMISSION

Henry Pelletier . . . . . 1984

James A. Adams, Sr. . . . . 1983

Llewellyn B. Norton . . . . . 1985

Michael Phifer, Cemetery Superintendent

HOUSING AUTHORITY

Alice M. Adams (State Appointee) . . . . .	1986
Helene Yeames . . . . .	1986
Llewellyn B. Norton . . . . .	1985
Grace G. Stuart, Chairman . . . . .	1984
Clarence Keith. . . . .	1983

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Sally Siewick . . . . .	1984
John O. Curtis. . . . .	1984
Paulette Fiset. . . . .	1983
Nancy Prescott. . . . .	1983
Phyllis Stearns . . . . .	1985
Joseph DiFabio. . . . .	1985

TREE WARDEN

Henry Pelletier . . . . .	1983
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CONSTABLES

Charles McGann. . . . .	1983
Richard N. Raymond, Resigned. . . . .	1983
Donald B. Norton. . . . .	1983
William Roberts . . . . .	1983
John H. Stanton . . . . .	1983

TRUSTEES - HARRIET HARDING FUND

Donald G. Moriarty. . . . .	1984
Fenton A. Hastings. . . . .	1983
Edward J. Killian . . . . .	1985

PLANNING BOARD

Dennis A. McCurdy . . . . .	1986
E. Clarke Brown . . . . .	1985
Edward J. Killian . . . . .	1984
Susan E. Sutherland . . . . .	1983
David Killian . . . . .	1987

TRUSTEES - LINCOLN LIBRARY FUND

Lucius M. Cook. . . . .	1984
Everett D. Landen . . . . .	1983
Llewellyn B. Norton . . . . .	1985

# APPOINTED OFFICERS

Term Expires

## TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Roland E. Chaffee . . . . . 1983

## HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

John L. Sherman . . . . . 1983

## FIRE CHIEF

Michael Wales . . . . . 1983

## POLICE CHIEF

Victor C. Milani. . . . . 1983

## SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT PEST CONTROL

James E. Killian. . . . . 1983

## MEASURER OF WOOD & BARK

Cheney L. Lawrence. . . . . 1983

## FIELD DRIVERS

Gerard Morin. . . . . 1983  
 Neil Stalker. . . . . 1983  
 Joe Grise . . . . . 1983

## FENCE VIEWERS

Gerard Morin. . . . . 1983  
 Franklin Smith. . . . . 1983  
 Neil Stalker. . . . . 1983

## DOG OFFICER

Earl Cote . . . . . 1983

## TOWN COUNSEL

Michael J. Morrill. . . . . 1983

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Pamela Beall. . . . . 1984  
 David L. Cheney . . . . . 1984  
 August DeMiranda. . . . . 1984  
 Robert Christo. . . . . 1983

APPOINTED OFFICERS  
(continued)

Term Expires

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Pamela Beall. . . . .	1984
Richard Provost . . . . .	1984
August DeMiranda, Chairman. . . . .	1984
Robert Christo. . . . .	1983
Carol Jensen. . . . .	1983
Jacques Mathieu . . . . .	1983
Richard Siewick . . . . .	1985
Robert Joyce. . . . .	1985
James Adams . . . . .	1985

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Juliane L. Spooner. . . . .	1984
Grace Stuart. . . . .	1983
Patricia Lawrence . . . . .	1985

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Lester Dutka. . . . .	1984
George Gross, Chairman. . . . .	1983
Richard Demetrius . . . . .	1985

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Michael Koprowski . . . . .	1984
Perry Weston. . . . .	1985

BUILDING INSPECTOR

James Mullane . . . . .	1983
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ZONING OFFICER

James Mullane . . . . .	1983
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CIVIL DEFENSE

Robert Coto, Director . . . . .	1983
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INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Nickolas DiGregorio . . . . .	1986
James Mullane . . . . .	1985
Robert Coto . . . . .	1984
David Hall. . . . .	1983
Paul Aloia. . . . .	1987

TRI-TOWN RECREATION COMMITTEE

Geoff Earls, Chairman . . . . .	1983
Sandra Earls. . . . .	1983
Raymond Ciesluk . . . . .	1983
Lynn Lacey. . . . .	1983
Donald Moriarty . . . . .	1983

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Helene Lindblad, Chairman . . . . .	1984
Helen Sweeney . . . . .	1984
Gerard Morin. . . . .	1984

APPOINTED OFFICERS  
(continued)

Term Expires

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Suzanne Phifer. . . . .	1983
Henry Pelletier . . . . .	1983
Herman Haven. . . . .	1985
Jerry Belber. . . . .	1985

BUILDING INSPECTOR BOARD OF APPEALS

Richard May . . . . .	1983
John Hilker . . . . .	1983
Walter Koslowski. . . . .	1983

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

Johnstone Prescott. . . . .	1983
Edward Clark. . . . .	1983
Francis Langevin. . . . .	1983
Robert Joyce. . . . .	1983
Dennis McCurdy. . . . .	1983
Ted Skowyra . . . . .	1983
Bernard SAmek . . . . .	1983
James Adams, Jr.. . . . .	1983

BY-LAW COMMITTEE

George B. Adams (Selectmen's Appointee) . . . . .	1983
Lester Dutka (Moderator's Appointee) . . . . .	1983

PLUMBING INSPECTOR

John E. Jacquinet (Appointed by the Board of Health). . . . .	1983
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GAS INSPECTOR

Otto Winkler. . . . .	1983
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ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

Sumner Barr . . . . .	1983
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TOWN HALL CUSTODIAN

Walter Koslowski. . . . .	1983
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CARETAKER AT COMMON

Walter Koslowski. . . . .	1983
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HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Crawford Lincoln. . . . .	1984
Elaine Hayes. . . . .	1983
Helene Lindblad . . . . .	1985
George Gregory. . . . .	1985

AGENT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Lyman Stanton . . . . .	1983
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ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Lyman Stanton . . . . .	1983
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APPOINTED OFFICERS  
(continued)

	TERM EXPIRES
COUNCIL ON AGING	
Elmer Deering . . . . .	1983
Harriet Freeman . . . . .	1983
Florence Gendreau . . . . .	1983
Doris Kryzminski. . . . .	1983
Helene Yeames . . . . .	1983
Gerald Brigham. . . . .	1984
Frank McLeish, Chairman . . . . .	1984
Vernon Heipler. . . . .	1984
Betty Barnes. . . . .	1984
Grace Stuart. . . . .	1984
Lucy Hanna. . . . .	1984
COUNCIL ON AGING ADVISORY MEMBERS	
Thorsten Anderson . . . . .	1983
Dolly Moore . . . . .	1983
Elaine Hayes. . . . .	1983
Francis Sweeney . . . . .	1983
George Gregory. . . . .	1983
Vera Silvius. . . . .	1983
BRIMFIELD LEGAL COMMITTEE FOR HUMAN HEALTH AND SAFETY	
Richard Raymond (Selectmen's Appointee) . . . . .	1983
Carol Jensen (Finance Committee's Appointee). . . . .	1983
Richard Siewick (Finance Committee's Appointee) . . . . .	1983
Clayton Thomas (Board of Health's Appointee). . . . .	1983
Helen Sweeney (Conservation Commission's Appointee) . . . . .	1983
George Gross (Stop IT of Brimfield's Appointee) . . . . .	1983
John Mortarelli (Stop IT of Brimfield's Appointee) resigned, replaced by John Curtis . . . . .	1983

## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

### Licenses issued for the Division of Fisheries and Game

75	Resident Fishing
24	Resident Hunting
44	Resident Sporting
3	Resident Minor Fishing
4	Non-Resident Citizen/Alien Fishing
5	Seven-day Non-Resident Fishing
30	Resident Sporting (Free)
2	Resident Fishing (age 65 - 69)
4	Resident Sporting (age 65 - 69)
22	Archery Stamps
3	Waterfowl Stamps

### DOGS LICENSED

10	Male @ \$3.00	\$ 30.00
40	Males @ \$4.00	160.00
30	Males @ \$10.00	300.00
5	Female @ \$6.00	30.00
10	Female @ \$3.00	30.00
40	Female @ \$4.00	160.00
11	Female @ \$10.00	<u>110.00</u>
		\$820.00
	Less Clerks Fees	
	25 @ 35¢	8.75
	121 @ 75¢	<u>90.75</u>
	Paid to Treasurer	\$720.50

### BRIEF ABSTRACT OF DOG LAWS:

The owner or keeper of any dog three months old or over must have said dog licensed. Licenses are due and payable on or before March 31st of each year. Whoever violates the provisions of the dog laws shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$15.00

Every dog, six months or older, must be inoculated with rabies vaccine, every three years.

# BIRTHS RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PARENTS</u>
1981		
January		
6	Philip Emanuel Libiszewski	Stanley P. and Rosalia Libiszewski
March		
26	Michelle Renee Gauthier	Raymond L. and Donna C. Gauthier
May		
7	Christina Marie Roman	Joseph P. and Susan M. Roman
15	Jessica Marie Walker	Bruce E. and Donna M. Walker
23	Thomas Andrew Dionne	Paul W. and Diane F. Dionne
June		
4	Zachary Thomas Adams	Wayne T. and Ellen M. Adams
4	John Wacław Kozikowski	John and Mary Kozikowski
6	James Adam Prive	Lawrence A. and Mary J. Prive
16	Heidi Cormier	Gregory S. and Monica J. Cormier
30	Nichole Suzette DuBois	Robert A. and Suzanne R. DuBois
July		
8	Daniel Greg St. Clair	Robert H. and Beth R. St. Clair
August		
7	Megan Allyn Moskal	John T. and Iris N. Moskal
20	Chad Joseph Grise	Francis J. and Diane M. Grise
September		
10	Kate Johanna Hersman	Richard A. and Joanne M. Hersman
October		
5	Steven Ryan Doel	Stephen R. and Judith A. Doel
4	Gretchen Ann Muller	Wayne T. and Mary Ellen Muller
November		
14	Ryan Roger Roberts	Roger R. and Debra M. Roberts
December		
29	Nicole Rose Couture	Roger R. and Frances H. Couture



# BIRTHS RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PARENTS</u>
1982		
February		
1	Daniel James Gavin	James H. and Helen Gavin
2	Krystle Marie Shoum	Bryan E. and Cynthia L. Shoum
27	Melissa Devon Flynn	Kenneth P. and Nancy A. Flynn
March		
7	Tara Lee Podlasek	Stanley H. and Doris S. Podlasek
7	David Michael Stearns	James C. and Barbara A. Stearns
12	Brian William Easton	Lawrence W. and Betty J. Easton
29	Kathryn Ann Koprowski	Michael P. and Karolyn K. Koprowski
April		
15	Jamie Marie Raymond	William L. and Joan M. Raymond
18	Kathryn Lynn Bixby	Russell C. and Lenore M. Bixby
June		
10	Kacey Draper Roscioli	Daniel M. and Virginia H. Roscioli
21	Angela Catherine Panaccione	David P. and Diane M. Panaccione
23	Matthew Russell Dubois	Russell S. and Rachel A. Dubois
July		
2	Katie DeCiantis Resseguie	Gary C. and Karen F. Resseguie
14	Cara Lee Wales	Paul C. and Mary J. Wales
16	Jeremiah Daniel Casavant	Albert H. and Holly S. Casavant
August		
11	Katherine Pearl Mac-A-Cheek Piatt-Eckert	Philip J. Eckert and Margaret M. Piatt
September		
26	Daniel John Niejadlik	Paul T. and Eileen M. Niejadlik
October		
3	Dylan Thomas Joyce	Robert P. and Michele A. Joyce
November		
2	Brian David McGurk	David J. and Priscilla A. McGurk

# BIRTHS RECORDED

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PARENTS</u>
November 3	Jacob Thomas Johnson	Ralph E. and Audrey J. Johnson
December 14	Catherine Marie Wells	Daniel H. and Mary E. Wells, III
20	Christopher John Legacy	Charles J. and Maura A. Legacy

# DEATHS RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
<del>1981</del>		
January 28	Katherine Parker	91
March 16	Edward Koss	91
April 2	Bertille M. Niquette	85
11	Florence Hattie Astin	66
18	Amy Supernor Guertin	89
30	Alexander H. McVeigh	76
May 2	Lottie Bailey	93
June 12	Israel Boudriault	92
August 16	Murray Francis Killian	79
26	Elliott Pratt Walker	85
September 19	Julianna Dabkowski Kulas	92
25	Rhea Amanda Norton	77
October 21	Walter Kenneth Gilman	64
22	James Henry McDermott	54
November 29	Charles Airmet Deland	89
December 17	Rose E. Galante	74
1982		
January 24	Joseph William VanHook	71
February 21	Mary Ann Kusha	70
March 23	Ruth Caroline Bergeson	61
29	Stuart Parks	66
30	Pauline D. Hatch	83

# DEATHS RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
1982		
April		
12	Harold S. Doane	70
May		
13	Blanche Thomas	89
June		
3	Daniel Allen Brosnan, Jr.	18
6	John Vester Nelson	73
16	Luther Herbert Lawrence	78
26	Edward Matusko	73
July		
8	Gladys Ethel Whitten	90
11	John Michael Haley	73
August		
1	Milton Jepson Wood	79
13	Elna Amy Harris	93
September		
10	Cheryl Ann Reed	27
10	Myron Elmore Naylor	64
28	Dorothy M. Shaculumis	61
October		
10	Walter Fremont Calkins	85
25	Mary Felicite DuFresne	95
22	Elizabeth V. Tenczar	81
December		
17	Eva Mary Messier	92

# MARRIAGES RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>GROOM AND RESIDENCE</u>	<u>BRIDE AND RESIDENCE</u>
1981		
February		
14	Charles Legacy Brimfield, Ma.	Maura Downs Sturbridge, Ma.
14	Charles R. Malsbury Brimfield, Ma.	Linda A. Gurski Brimfield, Ba.
April		
4	Wayne Muller Brimfield, Ma.	Mary Ellen MacKinnon Brimfield, Ma.
May		
16	Joseph A. Hopkins Brimfield, Ma.	Shirley A. Dodge Brimfield, Ma.
June		
12	Michael E. Tourangeau Chantilly, Va.	Maryann T. Koslowski Brimfield, Ma.
27	Norman A. LaChance Southbridge, Ma.	Janice L. Meyer Manchester, Ct.
July		
3	Michael C. Dowd Brimfield, Ma.	Jeanne M. Sideleau Brimfield, Ma.

# MARRIAGES RECORDED

DATE	GROOM AND RESIDENCE	BRIDE AND RESIDENCE
1981		
July 19	David A. Rutanen West Warren, Ma.	Wendy Thomas Brimfield, Ma.
September 5	John L. Sherman, Jr. Holland, Ma.	Jule Essig Holland, Ma.
11	William J. Koslowski Brimfield, Ma.	Jacqueline Baldina Palmer, Ma.
October 17	John H. Sherris Brimfield, Ma.	Marilyn E. Brown Brimfield, Ma.
November 7	Dale V. Stebbins Brimfield, Ma.	Carolyn A. Bennett Brimfield, Ma.
15	Bruce G. Vreeland Brimfield, Ma.	Dolores Myers Brimfield, Ma.
1982		
May 8	Richard Maxwell Hunt Brimfield, Ma.	Gloria Cecilia Roy Whitinsville, Ma.
15	Gary Andrew Matthews Brimfield, Ma.	Debra Lee Heagney Brimfield, Ma.
22	David E. LaChance Holland, Ma.	Deborah A. Keith Brimfield, Ma.
June 5	Michael Leslie Wales Brimfield, Ma.	Mary Ann Rutkowski Brimfield, Ma.
July 3	Herbert J. Perry Holland, Ma.	Anna Marie Howlett Holland, Ma.
August 28	David J. Charron Brimfield, Ma.	Elizabeth Ann Denning No. Grafton, Ma.
September 5	Berk Meitzler Brimfield, Ma.	Sarah E. Wells Brookfield, Ma.
4	David L. Davis Brimfield, Ma.	Linda S. Loosemore Brimfield, Ma.
October 2	Howard S. Lincoln Portland, Maine	Vanda Tacy Homer Portland, Maine
9	Michael H. MacFadden Charlton, Ma.	Donna Adams Charlton, Ma.
2	James Francis Gillooly Ponca City, Ok.	Anne Marie Dutka Ponca City, Ok.
November 20	Francis D. Flebotte Brimfield, Ma.	Marilyn J. Wise Brimfield, Ma.



## ACTION TAKEN AT TOWN MEETINGS

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, May 11, 1981

Article 1. Voted to approve the reports of the town officers as printed in the town report be accepted without reading.

Article 2. Voted that the salaries of the elected Town Officers be the same as the previous year.

Article 3. Voted that the sum of \$3,000.00 be appropriated from the Compensation Insurance Account and that the sum of \$4,600.00 be appropriated from Revenue Sharing for the purpose of purchasing compensation insurance for the town employees for the financial year July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982.

Article 4. Voted that the dog fund be turned over to the library account.

Article 5. Voted to authorize Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of Revenue.

Article 6. Voted to authorize Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of reimbursement.

Article 7. Voted to authorize Selectmen to sell Tax Title Property at public auction.

Article 8. Voted to raise and appropriate \$375.00 for Civil Defense.

Article 9. Voted to appropriate \$813.00 State Aid for the Library.

Article 10. Motion defeated to enter into a contractual agreement with the Towns of Holland and Wales to pay for ambulance service for the three towns for three years.

Article 11. Motion defeated to appropriate money to take over the ambulance service which has been provided by the Brimfield Volunteer Fire Dept.

Article 12. Motion defeated to join a regional ambulance service and appoint a member to be on the regional ambulance committee.

Article 13. Voted to transfer \$16,000.00 from Revenue Sharing Fund to: (1) Purchase the 1978 Chevrolet Class 1 and the 1973 Dodge Class 2 Ambulances and all hardware and software belonging to the Brimfield Volunteer Ambulance Service and (2) to insure register, fuel and supply said ambulances and (3) to fund the ambulance in its present form until July 13, 1981 or when the ambulance service contractor commences operation. Also voted to have an ambulance committee of five persons appointed by the moderator to oversee the running of the Ambulance Service. Fees shall be set for the use of the ambulances. Such fees together with other income shall be placed in a revolving fund account and used solely for the ambulance service. Voted to order the Selectmen to seek bids and accept on or before the July 13, 1981 meeting the lowest bid of any qualified contractor to provide ambulance service for the Fiscal year 1982.

Article 14. Motion defeated to amend the Zoning Map of the Town to change from an agricultural/residential district to a business district, that section of land northerly of route 20 to a depth of 500 feet, and easterly from Treats Brook, aka Crystal Brook, easterly to the Warren Road.

Article 15. Voted that the Planning Board correct inaccuracies on the Zoning Map regarding the incorrect placement and naming of several roads on the present map and present for acceptance at the next annual town meeting.

Article 16. Voted that no action be taken regarding transfer of money to Machinery Acct.

Article 17. Voted to R&A \$14,000.00 to oil public ways.

Article 18. Voted that no action be taken on this article to purchase a new pickup truck for the Highway Dept.

Article 19. Voted to R&A \$7,000 for reconstruction and improvement of Town roads.

Article 20. Voted to accept the renumbering of the town by-laws with the printed corrections thereto.

Article 21. Voted that no action be taken regarding the establishment of a Fire Dept.

Article 22. Voted that no action be taken regarding purchase of a police cruiser.

Article 23. Voted to transfer \$1,000.00 from Revenue Sharing for publishing a current valuation list at 100% valuation.

Article 24. Voted to R&A \$371.00 for Home Care services for the elderly.

Article 25. Voted that no action be taken re amending zoning bylaws by striking cost to be borne by the Flea Market Operators and replacing with cost to be borne by the Town of Brimfield in Article VIII, Section 2, Flea Market Licenses.

Article 26. Voted to amend the By-Laws of the Town, Article VIII, Section 2, Flea Market Licenses, Sub-paragraph c, Fees for the Merchants so as to strike the words "Five \$5.00) dollars", which follow the word exceed and to insert in place of the stricken words, the following "Twenty (\$20.00)".

Article 27. Voted to amend the Town By-Laws, Article VIII, Section 2, Flea Market Licenses, Sub-paragraph i, Hours of Operation by striking "From 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. daily except on Sundays when the hours of operation are 1:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. and to insert in place thereof the following: "To be set by Selectmen".

Article 28. Voted to amend the Zoning By-Laws of the Town Section VIII, Administration, VIII-A, Enforcement so as to strike the words "Twenty (\$20.00) dollars for each offense" in the last line of said section, and insert therein, in place thereof, the following: "Two Hundred (\$200.00) dollars for each offense."

Article 29. Voted to amend the Town By-Laws as to Article VIII, Section 2, Flea Market Licenses, Sub-paragraph j, Penalties, so as to strike the entire language in the aforesaid article, sub-paragraph, and insert therein the following: "For violation of this By-Law by Flea Market Operators and/or Owners and by all others, a fine not to exceed Two Hundred (\$200.00) shall be imposed."

Article 30. Voted that no money be R&A to pay unpaid bills for the various departments.

Article 31. Voted to approve the budget and amended changes.

Article 32. Voted to R&A \$15,000.00 for the stabilization fund.

#### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MARCH 27, 1982

Article 1. Voted to accept Chapter 90, Section 20A½ of the Mass. General Laws regarding collection of parking ticket fines.

Article 2. Voted that no action be taken regarding acceptance of \$4,000.00 from each Holland and Wales to reimburse the purchase price of two ambulances.

Article 3. Voted to transfer the sum of \$1,200.00 from the reserve fund to the Assessors clerk's salary account.

Article 4. Voted to accept Chapter 166, Section 32A of the Mass. General Laws regarding electrical inspectors.

Article 5. Voted that no action be taken regarding transferring money from reserve fund to the board of health for the purpose of water testing.

Article 6. Voted to transfer \$300.00 from Revenue Sharing for the purpose of purchasing parking violation tickets and other expenses.

Article 7. Voted to take no action to accept the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E of the General Laws regarding revolving accounts.

Article 8. Voted that the sum \$9,912.20 be transferred from oiling roads account to the highway wage account.



Article 9. Voted to approve the following non-binding resolution: RESOLVED: That the construction of the plant proposed by IT Corp. of California in the Town of Warren is detrimental to the present and future rural residential character of the Town of Brimfield because: (a) hazards to air, water, and health, (b) decreased property values and (c) nuisances attendant to the daily entrancing, servicing, and exiting of hundreds of heavy trucks.

Article 10. Voted to refuse to participate in a process authorized and/or required by Chapter 21D of the General Laws by voting to refuse any technical grants of money which may be available to the Town.

Article 11. Voted that no action be taken to place in escrow any technical grants which may be available to the town under Chapter 21D.

Article 12. Voted to instruct Town Counsel to study the suit filed by the Town of Warren in Worcester County Superior Court against the Hazardous Waste Facility Site Safety Council, the Department of Environmental Management and the IT Corp. and render a report at the Annual Town Meeting, May 10, 1982.

#### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MAY 10, 1982

Article 1. Motion made and supported to postpone action on this article at adjourned date of this meeting or next special town meeting provided that the town reports have been published.

Article 2. Motion made and supported that the salaries of the town officers be raised by 10% as allowed in.

Article 3. Motion made and supported that the sum of \$2,787 be transferred from the Compensation Insurance Fund to the Compensation Insurance Account and that the sum of \$5,813 be transferred from Revenue Sharing, together to purchase compensation insurance for the town employees for the financial year July 1, 1982 to June 30, 1983.

Article 4. Motion made and supported that the Dog Fund be appropriated to the use of the library.

Article 5. Voted to authorize Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of Revenue.

Article 6. Voted to authorize Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of reimbursement.

Article 7. Voted to authorize Selectmen to sell Tax Title Property at public auction.

Article 8. Voted to R&A \$375 for Civil Defense.

Article 9. Voted that the sum of \$800 State Aid for the year for the Library.

Article 10. Voted that the sum of \$9,334 be raised and appropriated for road improvement.

Article 11. Voted that no action be taken on this article to transfer money from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account.

Article 12. Voted to R&A \$5,575 for improvement to roads in conjunction with state aid provided by Chapter 732.

Article 13. Voted that no action be taken on this article to purchase a sander.

Article 14. Voted to transfer from Revenue Sharing \$11,000.00 for the purchase of a new pickup truck for the Highway Department.

Article 15. Voted that no action be taken on this article regarding a new cab and chassis for the Highway Department.

Article 16. Voted that no action be taken on this article for repairs and replacement of radio equipment on the town government frequency.

Article 17. Voted to take no action on this article regarding installing a street light at the intersection of Adams Dr. and Hillside Drive.

Article 18. Voted to have the town install a street light on pole #29 on the Brookfield Road at the junction of Cubles Drive.

Article 19. Voted to have the street light removed from pole #27 on the Brookfield Rd.

Article 20. Voted to transfer \$290 from Revenue Sharing for matching funds for Home Care Service to the elderly.

Article 21. Voted that Article IV, Sec. 5 be amended by adding thereto the following: "Except that the collector of taxes is permitted to keep for his personal services the fee received for a Tax Lien Certificate as provided by Chapt. 60, Sec. 23 of the Mass. Gen. Laws."

Article 22. Voted that no action be taken on this article regarding the Annual Town Meeting be held on the last Saturday in April of each year.

Article 23. Voted that no action be taken on this article to amend the zoning by-laws regarding structures over 35 feet in height.

Article 24. Voted that no action be taken to accept the corrected zoning map by the Planning Board.

Article 25. Voted that no action be taken regarding membership in the Pioneer Valley Regional Planning District.

Article 26. Voted to transfer from Revenue Sharing \$16,000.00 to provide ambulance service to the town from July 1, 1982 to June 30, 1983.

Article 27. Voted that the town sell the 1929 Buffalo fire truck to the Brimfield Volunteer Fire Department for the sum of \$1.00 provided they agree not to resell the truck without prior approval of the town at an annual town meeting.

Article 28. Voted to disapprove this article to raise \$60,000.00 to procure a diesel cab, etc. to build a fire truck but that the moderator appoint a committee of five to determine and report on the serviceability of the 1958 Ford fire truck and to make recommendations about the feasibility of repairs, rebuilding or purchase.

Article 29. Voted to disapprove this article regarding funds to obtain professional advice and preparation of bid specification for the town insurance.

Article 30. Voted that no action be taken on this article to create an account to annually self insure the Town for medical expenses incurred by the Volunteer Fire and Police Departments while on duty.

Article 31. Voted to R&A \$16,600 for the repair and replacement of windows at the Elementary School.

Article 32. Voted to R&A \$100 to create a new salary for the dog officer.

Article 33. Voted to accept the revised fee schedule recommended by the City and Town Clerk Association Committees, Dec. 10, 1980.

Article 34. Voted to R&A \$100 for drawing up plans for the renovation of the lower town hall.

Article 35. Voted to accept the provisions of Chapter 148, Section 26C of the Mass. General Laws providing for mandatory application and installation of smoke detectors in hotels, motels, group homes, nursing homes effective 1-1-83.

Article 36. Voted that the selectmen be directed to make the town hall available without cost on a semi-monthly basis to any organization whose sole purpose is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the town and to preserve the quality of its air and water.

Article 37. Voted to hear the report of the Town Counsel on the subjects that were assigned to him at the special Town Meeting of March 27, 1982.



Article 38. Voted that a committee composed of one member of the Board of Selectmen, appointed by the Board of Selectmen; one member of the Board of Health, appointed by the Board of Health; one member of the Conservation Commission, appointed by the Conservation Commission; two members from the Finance Committee, appointed by the Finance Committee and two members of the Stop IT Citizens Action Group to be appointed by said group and that \$18,000 be transferred from Free Cash to enable the committee if necessary to innitiate legal action against a proposed hazardous waste facility in the town of Warren. The committee shall be seated after the annual town election, 1982, and shall hold its first meeting within fifteen days thereafter at the call of the Board of Selectmen's member, who shall serve as temporary chairman. The committee shall serve until in its judgement it is no longer needed. Vacancies shall be filled by a vote of a majority of the committee, members appointed annually.

Article 39. Voted that sums of money from private sources be accepted by the town for the purpose of defraying legal costs incurred in pursuing action under the previous article.

Article 40. Voted that no money be raised and appropriated to pay unpaid bills f r the various departments.

Article 41. Voted to approve the budget and amended changes.

Article 42. Voted to R&A from available funds \$20,000 to be added to the Stabilization Fund.

Respectfully submitted,



Doris S. Podlasek  
Town Clerk

Salary \$2,025.00

#### JURY LIST

Kevin J. Ahern	Drawn
Dorothy M. Jensen	Drawn
Martin LaChapelle	Drawn
Michael Marco	Drawn
Robert W. Merriman	Drawn
Shirley Monette	Drawn
John E. Worrell	Drawn

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

We would like to call your attention to two factors underlying this entire report. In an effort to make this journal timely and useful, we have delayed it and enlarged its scope to include the time span from July 1, 1981 to January 1, 1983. Because of this report's transitory nature, some reports end as of July 1, 1982 while others extend through December 31, 1982. Second, it has been printed by the Hampden County House of Correction and mailed to you this year on an "OCCUPANT" basis using bulk mailing. We trust these changes will begin to economically provide you with a town report of current value.

It is with a sense of great loss that we recognize the passing of several outstanding citizens who over the years have given of their time and talents to Brimfield. John Haley who served for over thirty years on the Board of Assessors, Bill Cruess who was a member of the Board of Finance, as well as Pauline Hatch, Murray Killian, Gladys Whitten, and Charles Deland, all whose presence will be acutely missed.

While this past year and a half has been most difficult financially due to re-evaluation and the effects of "proposition 2 1/2" coming into full force, we have weathered the worst in remarkably fine shape. This would never have been possible without the extraordinary efforts of the Board of Assessors and their clerk who dealt with the constant barrage of problems related to re-evaluation. Likewise, the Board of Finance deserves praise for their constant striving to keep us financially on "an even keel" during the difficult period of adjustment to Proposition 2 1/2. David Cheney took up the chairmanship of the Finance Committee when an unanticipated business relocation forced the resignation of James Matthews. For what consolation it offers, our town is presently in better fiscal condition than many towns both larger and smaller in the Commonwealth. The conscientious efforts of all town departments to stay within or cut their budgets is both appreciated and expected for the coming year. The increased volunteer activities of the citizens taking up the slack, must also be noticed with appreciation. The highly successful Country Fair and Fiddlers Contest to benefit Brimfield Youth, held in the summer of 1982 was only one such activity that deserves appreciation and support.

We wish to thank two individuals in particular for their volunteer efforts to Brimfield that have aided us in fulfilling town meeting mandates and helped us to strengthen our services and abilities. The architect, Mr. Albert Cassella of Agawam inspected the Town Hall and advised us on space potential without accepting the fee. Mr. Henry Hanmer, licensed insurance advisor and President of the firm of Field and Eddy and Bulkley Insurance Co. is undertaking a complete insurance analysis of the town's insurance policies in preparation for going out to bid on a total package of more comprehensive coverage for less money. This written evaluation and bid preparation is also being donated by Mr. Hanmer, to the town. Total insurance re-evaluation and tighter controlled comprehensive coverage is a high priority with this board.

In this year of financial strain we have been very fortunate in the number of qualified people who have stepped forward to fill the position of tax collector. A vacancy opened after Sandra Morris's term expired and Susan Chaffee resigned due to health reasons. Barbara Vail saw us through tax bills and was relieved by Susan DuBois who resigned as of January 1, 1983 due to the impending arrival of her second child. We appointed Dianne McIntosh to complete the term of office.



The past year and a half has seen no let up in the intensity of activity in the proposed waste treatment plant to be built by I.T. Company of California in the neighboring Town of Warren. This board has aided and assisted the Brimfield Legal Committee for Human Health and Safety created at the 1982 Town Meeting, when ever possible. While we're confident that this committee's multi-faceted approach to the problem will significantly and positively effect the outcome of this situation, we don't feel it will reach a rapid conclusion.

At the present time we are considering a computerized parking ticket retrieval system through the Massachusetts Municipal Association. We feel this should aid our new Parking Clerk in the collection of unpaid parking tickets generated by out of state violators during the flea markets.

In February 1982 a new set of rules and regulations for flea market operations was adopted. While there is still fine tuning to be done, every effort is being made to achieve a greater degree of cooperation between all flea market parties from which the whole town might benefit

Continuous efforts have been made to keep traffic control signs and devices on all state and town roads current and responsive to public safety. "Watch Children" signs have been erected on Apple Road to make traffic aware of the increased residential build up in the area. Several other sign requests are presently under consideration for implementation by the State.

The Board of Selectmen has appointed Mr. Charles Mack as alternate Electrical Inspector to aid Mr. Sumner Barr when he is not available.

The Town Hall is still being made available for all town related activities. It is however, being restricted from any commercial activities. We wish to commend and encourage the volunteer efforts contemplated by the Police Department for renovation of space in the Town Hall basement during the coming year.

The Highway Department has done a good job maintaining the roads under severe financial and man power constraints. Brush cutting has been done, oiling, patching, and resurfacing of several stretches of town maintained roads has been completed and constant drainage problems have been attended to. Delivery of a new pick up truck was taken this year.

All current court actions engaged in by the town will be addressed in a separate report by our town counsel.

Finally, the Board of Selectmen wishes to thank all who have contributed to our Town in any way during the past year. We will continue to depend upon your unselfish and tireless efforts which are the key ingredient to making Brimfield such a fine town in which to live.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean A. McGann, Chairman  
Lee W. Adams  
Richard N. Raymond

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

	<u>Balance 6/30/81</u>	<u>Committed in Fiscal 1982</u>	<u>Paid to Treasurer</u>	<u>Tax Title</u>	<u>Abatements</u>	<u>Refunds</u>	<u>Balance 6/30/82</u>
Motor Vehicle 1973			31.90				(31.90)
Motor Vehicle 1974			19.80				(19.80)
Motor Vehicle 1975			38.13				(38.13)
Motor Vehicle 1976	260.86		96.80				164.06
Motor Vehicle 1977	2,728.41		351.73				2,376.68
Motor Vehicle 1978	7,402.54		664.79				6,737.75
Motor Vehicle 1979	5,759.28		805.81				4,953.47
Motor Vehicle 1980	5,742.58		2,182.36			706.65	3,560.22
Motor Vehicle 1981	8,540.27	9,414.66	13,048.60			208.42	5,612.98
Motor Vehicle 1982		37,275.80	27,646.34		1,538.60		8,299.28
Farm Animal 1976	102.00						102.00
Farm Animal 1977	153.20						153.20
Farm Animal 1978	163.60						163.60
Farm Animal 1979	482.00						482.00
Farm Animal 1980	252.00						252.00
Farm Animal 1981	200.50						200.50
Farm Animal 1982		1,147.23					1,147.23
Personal Property							
1976-1977	23.76						23.76
1977-1978	457.70						457.70
1978-1979	673.71						673.71
1979-1980	1,809.19						1,809.19
1980-1981	5,603.29		1,608.41				3,994.88
1981-1982		53,642.00	16,202.37		1,075.92	448.15	36,811.86
Real Estate							
1978-1979	(105.31)		120.85				(226.16)
1979-1980	20,497.93		10,242.09			211.03	10,466.87
1980-1981	80,030.34	896.00	56,521.11		1,104.64	539.91	23,840.50
1981-1982		923,292.81	438,706.57		16,504.36	3,072.19	458,313.70
		1,025,668.50	568,287.66		20,223.52	5,186.35	570,581.15



**TOWN OF BRIMFIELD**  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Office of  
Treasurer

**Treasurer's Report for Fiscal Year 1982**

Cash on Hand - July 1, 1981	94,924.36
Cash on Hand - June 30, 1982	386,183.24
Paid on Treasury Warrants	3,084,709.83

**Fund Balances**

**School Trust Funds**

Philip Burns Family	4,065.88
Title II	58.96
Harriet Allen	3,218.38

**Library Trust Funds**

Chamberlain Smith Historical	1,127.02
James Lincoln Building	5,448.66
Harriet M. Harding	9,781.37
Library	7,606.35

**Cemetery Trust Funds**

Perpetual Care - Principal	20,065.93
Interest	36,669.15
Hoyt Animal	1,322.05
Pearsall Monument Fence	406.40
Cemetery Wall	950.48
Bliss Gate	132.47

Revenue Sharing Funds	44,736.59
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Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Erban  
Town Treasurer

**Salary**

Doris Podlasek	07/01/81 to 10/31/81	591.68
Joan Erban	11/01/81 to 06/30/82	1,183.32





REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

**TOWN OF BRIMFIELD**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF  
TOWN ACCOUNTANT

**Balance Sheet**  
**as of June 30, 1982**

**ASSETS**

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**Cash**

General	273,624.38	
Revenue Sharing	22,268.72	295,898.10

**Accounts Receivable**

**Real Estate Tax**

1978-1979	(699.76)	
1979-1980	(3,341.82)	
1980-1981	12,079.30	
1981-1982	475,000.45	483,038.17

**Personal Property Tax**

1975-1976	23.76	
1977-1978	457.70	
1978-1979	673.71	
1979-1980	1,824.24	
1980-1981	3,347.67	
1981-1982	37,643.84	43,970.92

**Motor Vehicle Excise**

1976	164.06	
1977	2,311.51	
1978	6,802.94	
1979	4,855.76	
1980	2,965.21	
1981	3,881.79	
1982	9,646.94	30,628.21

**Farm Animal Excise**

1976	102.00	
1977	153.20	
1978	163.60	
1979	482.00	
1980	252.00	
1981	200.50	
1982	1,147.23	2,500.53

Tax Title & Possession

Tax Title	67,389.05	
Tax Possession	6,175.22	73,564.27

Departmental

Dog Officer	1,032.00	
Veteran Benefits	1,835.00	2,867.00

Aid to Highways - State

Chapter 90	14,483.75	
Chapter 329	191.53	
Chapter 480	20,043.77	
Chapter 570	5,636.64	40,355.69

Trusts

Cemetery Care	1,732.08	
Dog Licenses	514.15	2,246.23

Unprovided for or Overdrawn Accounts

Group Insurance	11,118.88	
Property Insurance	4,212.00	
Interest	14,056.76	
Highway Fuel	4,147.65	
Machinery Maint.	17,541.54	51,076.83

Fixed & Funded Debt

School Bond Issue	280,000.00	280,000.00
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Total Assets

1,306,140.95

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LIABILITIES & RESERVES

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Payroll Deductions

Group Insurance	1,421.14	
Mass Tax Withheld	(1,285.53)	135.61

Agency

Tax Collector Fees	409.00	
Dog Licenses	(197.15)	211.85

Federal & State Grants

Dept of Elderly Affairs	211.70	
Environment Protection	2,000.00	
Revenue Sharing	9,048.61	11,260.31

Revolving Funds

Flea Market	4,249.66	
Police Donation	80.00	
Police	1,450.42	
Building Inspector	420.00	
Electric Inspector	5.00	
Plumbing Inspector	(30.00)	
School Lunch	1,657.79	7,832.87

Appropriations Balance

Comm. for Human Health	2,000.00	
Audit	3,000.00	
Treasurer Encumbered	1,000.00	
Parking Ticket Clerk	725.00	
Dredging Streams	2,404.70	
Workmen's Comp.	1,385.73	
100% Revaluation	1,553.36	
School Encumbered	11,196.52	
School - Title IVB	1,389.00	24,654.31

Receipts Reserved for Appropriation

Workmen Comp.	4,593.68	4,593.68
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Reserve Fund

Overlay Surplus	11,779.39	11,779.39
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Overlay

Levy of 1981-1982	45,958.28	45,958.28
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Overlay Deficit

Levy of 1980-1981	(1,300.48)	(1,300.48)
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Revenue Reserved Until Collected

Motor Vehicle Excise	30,628.21	
Farm Animal Excise	2,500.53	
Tax Title/Possession	73,564.27	
Departmental	2,867.00	109,560.01

State Assessment - Underestimated

State Assessment	(5,238.58)	(5,238.58)
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Notes & Bonds Outstanding

School Bond Issue	280,000.00	
Anticipation Notes	600,000.00	880,000.00

Surplus Revenue

Surplus Revenue	216,696.70	216,696.70
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Total Liabilities & Reserves

1,306,140.95

Respectfully submitted,  
Roland E. Chaffee  
Town Accountant

Salary

Harry Peters	07/01/81 to 01/31/82	1,166.69
Roland Chaffee	02/01/82 to 06/30/82	<u>833.31</u>
		2,000.00



OFFICE OF  
BOARD OF ASSESSORS

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

For the fiscal year 1982 (July 1, 1981 - June 30, 1982) the "green" sheet estimate of incoming funds was as follows:

A. Reimbursement for loss of taxes	\$16,023.00	
Flood control	29,008.00	
Elderly person, clause 41	4,247.00	\$49,278.00
B. Education		
School Aid, Chapter 70	98,046.00	
Transportation of pupils	60,929.00	
Construction costs	19,653.00	
School related transportation	4,105.00	
Tuition for state wards	8,933.00	
Public library aid	1,250.00	
School lunch program	1,530.00	
(Total education reimbursement)		194,446.00
C. General government		
Veterans benefits	2,965.00	
Highway reconstruction	34,436.00	
Local aid fund	97,198.00	
Local aid fund (lottery)	23,051.00	
Highway (Chapter 81)	27,063.00	
(Total general government)		184,713.00
D. Total estimated receipts		428,437.00
"Cherry" sheet charges include:		
County tax	60,513.41	
Motor excise bills	353.10	
State recreation areas	10,796.81	
Air pollution control	582.31	
Total charges	\$72,245.63	
Prior year underestimates to be raised:		11,315.90
Tax rate recapitulation for FY 1982		
Gross amount to be raised		1,523,160.86
Estimated receipts and available funds		553,693.95
Net amount to be raised by taxation		969,466.91
Tax Rate - \$18.32		



OFFICE OF  
BOARD OF ASSESSORS

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Personal property valuations	\$2,588,850.00
Real Estate valuation	<u>50,329,650.00</u>
	\$52,918,500.00

Assessor office hours are from 7:00 to 9:00 PM the first and third Mondays.  
Questions pertaining to real and personal property, assessments, motor vehicles,  
and other assessments may be directed to the Assessors. Questions having to do  
with payments should be addressed to the tax collector.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Assessors  
Louis Lavoie, Chairman  
Richard Starkey  
Thomas Keough

Susan Cox, Clerk

Salaries:

Louis Lavoie	\$450.00
Richard Starkey	450.00
Thomas Keough	450.00
Susan Cox	1,350.00

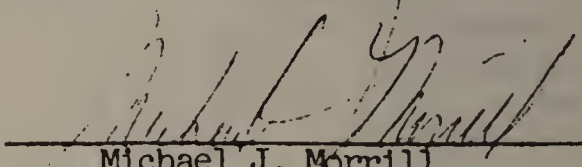
REPORT OF TOWN COUNSEL

RE: MATTERS PENDING IN LITIGATION

The following are the pending court actions in which the Town  
is involved as a party:

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| 1. | LOUIS J. SHELTON-GROVE, DIANE       | ) |                                |
|    | STURTEVANT and ROBERT J. STURTEVANT | ) |                                |
|    | vs.                                 | ) | This case involves a           |
|    |                                     | ) | zoning by-law controversy      |
|    | TOWN OF BRIMFIELD, SELECTMEN,       | ) |                                |
|    | ZONING OFFICER-BUILDING INSPECTOR,  | ) |                                |
|    | CHIEF OF POLICE                     | ) |                                |
| 2. | TOWN OF BRIMFIELD                   | ) |                                |
|    | vs.                                 | ) | This is a suit on the contract |
|    |                                     | ) | appraiser's bond for default   |
|    | PAUL T. GOLDEN, COMMONWEALTH        | ) | by the appraiser               |
|    | APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC. and         | ) |                                |
|    | AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY          | ) |                                |
| 3. | GORDON REID, JR.                    | ) |                                |
|    | vs.                                 | ) | This is a suit seeking a       |
|    |                                     | ) | court decision that the        |
|    | TOWN OF BRIMFIELD, SELECTMEN        | ) | so-called Flea Market By-Law   |
|    |                                     | ) | is invalid                     |

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Michael J. Morrill  
Town Counsel



## REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

In May of 1981, the Planning Board was directed by the voters to prepare a zoning map, changing all inaccuracies in the present map for the next annual meeting. This work was completed by our Town Engineer, and the corrected map was presented to the voters in May of 1982. At which time, the voters defeated acceptance of the new map and our present inaccurate map still stands as the official zoning map of Brimfield.

The Planning Board approved all subdivision survey plans properly submitted during the year.

The Board meets regularly on the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall. All interested townspeople are invited to attend. The chairman for the coming year is Susan Sutherland, and the Secretary is Dennis A. McCurdy.

For approval of subdivision plans not requiring the action of the entire board (adequate frontage on a town road and adequate acreage), contact the Secretary at his office 9:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, call 347-9343 for an appointment between meetings. All other plans should be presented to the entire board at a regularly scheduled Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Sutherland, Chairman  
Dennis A. McCurdy, Secretary  
Edward Killian  
David Killian  
E. Clarke Brown

NO SALARIES

## CIVIL DEFENSE 1982-83 REPORT

Project papers were prepared again this year to keep Brimfield eligible for excess properties.

The two Civil Defense vehicles were maintained.

The radiological equipment was checked and updated by Mass. Civil Defense.

I would like to thank all those who helped me this year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert L. Cote

## REPORT OF THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY COMMISSION

Effective May 1982, this commission officially disbanded. The remaining planned details were accepted for completion by members acting independently.

1. The booklet was printed and distributed leaving us totally out of funds.
2. The time capsule is not yet in place. We hope to complete this task in July '83.
3. The display case for Sherman room of library is ready for presentation.

As of this writing we are approximately \$200 indebted to our printer and we have a number of booklets still unsold. We expect to clear this debt soon. Having no further business to conduct in behalf of the town, we submit this brief report as being final.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Langevin  
Recording Secretary

(No salaries or wages)

## REPORT OF THE TOWN HALL CUSTODIAN

During this year, I placed additional insulation in the upper room occupied by the Elder Bus dispatcher in an effort to conserve heat.

On an exceptionally cold night the furnace went out causing a few pipes to freeze and the necessary repairs were made. Routine maintenance was carried out during the year.

On three occasions this year the town hall was rented out for auctions.

Respectfully submitted,  
Walter Koslowski

Salary: \$990. to Walter Koslowski

## REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

Memorial Day 1982 was observed in Brimfield's traditional fashion with services and parade. The cemetery and monuments were dressed with new markers, flags, and geraniums. We were successful in keeping costs within budget and we expect to do so in 1983.

Your committee extends its appreciative thanks to all individuals and groups who participate year after year. Those are the people who best carry on in making memorial day a time for us to come together remembering all who have gone before us.

Once again we will ask for your support for an appropriation of \$450 for fiscal year 83-84.

Respectfully submitted,  
Memorial Day Committee

(No salaries or wages)

## REPORT OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

During the period July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982, 24 building permits were issued:

8 New Homes  
16 Accessory Buildings and additions  
10 Woodstoves

Four violations of sign zoning by-laws were investigated.

Fees: James Mullane \$768





TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
01010

COUNCIL ON AGING  
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY  
EMPLOYER

Report of the Council on Aging

Along with many other departments of the town, the budget of the Council on Aging has been reduced for the coming fiscal year. Obviously there will be less money to operate the Council on. However, we have applied for State Council on Aging Grants for fiscal year 1982.

We are fortunate that our support from Home Care Corp. in Springfield makes funds available to employ our full time Dispatcher/Driver. Our new Elderbus is used by the Elderly and the Handicapped, and with the added chairlift we are able to serve the handicapped better.

We are also fortunate to have 10 volunteer drivers which we can depend on to do the driving when it is needed. The Council is grateful for their valuable help.

The past year we have used in volunteer man hours for driving the Elderbus:

Man Hours	700
Miles Traveled	12,365
People Served	
(Duplicated)	3,057
(Unduplicated)	340

The Elderbus invites anyone 55 years of age or older or handicapped to use the bus, for medical appointments, hospitals, doctors, food shopping, banking, meal sites, Adult Day Centers, hair dressers, etc. Call our Dispatcher at 245-7253 for an appointment.

Home Care Corp. of Springfield continues to provide funds for the meals twice weekly, home care services, home delivered meals(have been increased to 5 days a week), health screening clinics, etc.

The Council on Aging feels fortunate to have Jean Bradway as our full time Dispatcher/Driver.

The Brimfield Council on Aging is grateful to the Town of Brimfield for providing the Elderbus Office, located in the Town Hall.

To the members of our Council which have given of their time and effort, a grateful thanks.



To the Brimfield citizens a sincere thanks for your support.

Respectfully submitted,

*Frank McLeish / jh*

Frank McLeish, Chairman  
Council on Aging

#### COUNCIL MEMBERS - 1983 - 1984

##### Term Expires 1983

Helene Yeamans  
Elmer Deering  
Harriet Freeman  
Florence Gendreau  
Doris Krzyminski

##### Term Expires 1984

Frank McLeish (Chairman)  
Vernon Heipler (Treasurer)  
Betty Barnes  
Grace Stuart  
Lucy Hanna

##### Advisory Members

Thorsten Anderson  
Elaine Hayes  
Dolly Moore  
Francis Sweeney  
George Gregory  
Vera Silvius

NO SALARIES

#### TREE WARDEN REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR JUNE 30, 1981 TO JULY 1, 1982

Tree warden: Henry Pelletier

Cut and removed dead trees from Warren Road.

Cut dead trees from East Hill road.

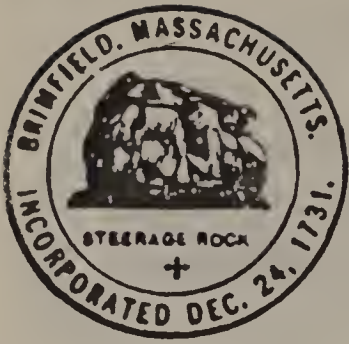
Cut and removed trees from Brookfield Road.

Planted five trees (Norway Maples). These trees were  
donated.

Again I thank all the townsfolk for their help.

Respectfully

Henry Pelletier  
Tree Warden



DEPARTMENT OF POLICE  
TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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CHIEF OF POLICE  
VICTOR J. MILANI

November 29, 1982

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

I take pleasure in submitting the Annual Report of the Police Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1982. The force consists of a Chief, a Deputy Chief, one Lieutenant, one Sergeant, and ten Patrolmen.

ROSTER OF THE DEPARTMENT

Chief

Victor J. Milani

Deputy Chief

William F. Roberts

Lieutenant

Donald B. Norton

Sergeant

Louis Iadisernia

Patrolmen

Earl L. Cote Sr.  
Patricia M. Coto  
Robert L. Coto  
Richard Kszepka  
Armand LaMountain

Charles McGann Sr.  
Charles McGann Jr.  
Charles A. Modugno  
Joel R. Norton  
John H. Stanton

Officers have been assigned to routine patrols and special events. In addition, officers have served at funerals, weekly church services, town caucuses, town meetings, and town elections. Officers felt a special sense of pride while participating in the many events that commemorated the 250th anniversary of the town.

I was pleased to deliver on two occasions this year, a presentation entitled "Drug Awareness in the 80's". These presentations were offered to parents and students attending Ludlow Elementary School, and North Brookfield Middle School.

The Department wishes to acknowledge the efforts of its civilian emergency services dispatchers: Cynthia Clark, Janet Hastings, Donna Hellyar, Shirley Hopkins, Joanne Milani, Maryann Wales, and Karen Weglarz.

During 1981, Crime Prevention Officer, Robert L. Coto, continued to be very active in his presentation of the Crime Watch Program. We continue to urge you to report any incident or person you deem to be suspicious. Many times a telephone call from a curious citizen has led to an apprehension or solution of a crime. The cooperation of all citizens is still urgently needed to curb crime.

Reported burglaries and bicycle thefts have shown a slight increase over last year. Continued public awareness of crime prevention programs is a first essential step in combating these crimes. More care should be taken in securing bicycles. They are easy prey, and popular items to steal.

#### GENERAL 1982

Ambulance Calls . . . . .	13
Assists at Fires . . . . .	9
Automobile Accidents . . . . .	27
Automobiles Recovered . . . . .	3
Buildings Open and Secured . . . . .	2
Disabled Motor Vehicles . . . . .	8
Disturbances . . . . .	12
Dog Complaints (referred to dog officer). . . . .	21
Homes Vacant and Cared For . . . . .	83
Illegal Discarding of Rubbish . . . . .	3
Loose Animals . . . . .	14
Objects in Roadway . . . . .	2
Parking Violation Citations Issued . . . . .	321
Persons Held in Protective Custody . . . . .	4
Prowlers . . . . .	3
Summonses and Supoenas Served . . . . .	48
Warnings Issued for Traffic Violations . . . . .	18

#### OFFENSES

Allowing Improper Person to Operate Motor Vehicle . . . . .	1
Altering Motor Vehicle Operator License . . . . .	1
Annoying and Accosting . . . . .	5
Arson . . . . .	1
Assault . . . . .	1
Assault and Battery . . . . .	4
Assault and Battery With Dangerous Weapon . . . . .	2
Attaching Improper Plates to Motor Vehicle . . . . .	2
Attempted Burglary . . . . .	2
Attempted Indecent Assault . . . . .	4



Breaking and Entering in the Daytime . . . . .	11
Breaking and Entering in the Nighttime . . . . .	3
Burglary . . . . .	2
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny from a Building . .	2
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny from Motor Vehicle	2
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny of Motor Vehicle .	1
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny Over \$100 . . . . .	2
Delinquency by Reason of Malicious Destruction of Property . . . . .	2
Delinquency by Reason of Possession of Alcoholic Beverage . . . . .	2
Delinquency by Reason of Using Motor Vehicle Without Authority . . . . .	2
Delinquency by Reason of Possession of Class D Controlled Drug . . . . .	2
Delinquency by Reason of Receiving Stolen Property .	1
Discharge of Firearms . . . . .	4
Disorderly Person . . . . .	2
Failing to Grant Right of Way . . . . .	1
Failing to Keep Right . . . . .	3
Failing to Report Accident . . . . .	1
Failing to Signal Properly . . . . .	2
Following Too Closely . . . . .	2
Indecent Exposure . . . . .	3
Larceny by Check . . . . .	28
Larceny of Motor Vehicle . . . . .	2
Larceny over \$100 . . . . .	18
Larceny Under \$100 . . . . .	9
Leaving the Scene of Property Damage Accident . . .	2
Malicious Destruction of Property . . . . .	2
Minor in Possession of Alcoholic Beverage . . . . .	3
Obscene Telephone Calls . . . . .	12
Operating a Motorcycle Without Protective Headgear .	2
Operating a Motor Vehicle After Revocation of License	3
Operating a Motor Vehicle Making Excessive Noise . .	1
Operating a Motor Vehicle After Suspension of License	1
Operating a Motor Vehicle Making Excessive Smoke . .	1
Operating a Motor Vehicle So As To Endanger . . . .	13
Operating a Motor Vehicle Under the Influence of Alcohol . . . . .	8
Operating a Motor Vehicle With Defective Equipment .	6
Operating a Motor Vehicle Without Inspection Sticker	14
Operating a Motor Vehicle Without License . . . . .	3
Operating a Motor Vehicle Without Registration . . .	5
in Possession . . . . .	5
Operating a Motor Vehicle Without License in Possession . . . . .	4
Operating a Snowmobile on Public Way . . . . .	3
Operating Uninsured Motor Vehicle . . . . .	6
Operating Unregistered Motor Vehicle . . . . .	3
Passing on Right . . . . .	2
Passing Stop Sign . . . . .	2
Possession of Class D Controlled Drug . . . . .	2
Possession of Dangerous Weapon . . . . .	1
Procuring Alcoholic Beverage for Minor . . . . .	2
Receiving Stolen Property . . . . .	2
Refusing to Produce License for Police Officer . . .	1

Refusing to Stop for Police Officer . . . . .	3
Runaway . . . . .	2
Speeding . . . . .	29
Trespassing . . . . .	11
Violation of Dog Restraining Order . . . . .	2
Warrants . . . . .	9

### ARRESTS

Arrests with Warrants . . . . .	9
Arrests without Warrants . . . . .	21

#### Communications or Requests Received:

References . . . . .	3
Requests for Police Reports of Motor Vehicle Accidents . . . . .	19
Requests for Police Reports of Burglary or Larceny . . . . .	14
Military Inquiries . . . . .	11

#### Assists to Other Police Departments:

Information on Residents . . . . .	5
License Status Check . . . . .	9
Assistance in Pursuit and Apprehension of Subjects . . . . .	2
Relay Summons . . . . .	7
Relay Persons . . . . .	3

#### Administrative Services Provided by Brimfield Police Department:

Verify VIN for Title . . . . .	6
FID Permits Issued . . . . .	20
Pistol Permits Issued . . . . .	33
Sunday Work Permits . . . . .	1
License Revocation and Suspension Forms Processed . . . . .	12
License Reinstatement Forms Processed . . . . .	6

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen for their continued cooperation. The Department also wishes to express its appreciation to the Massachusetts State Police for assistance received, and the residents of Brimfield for their continued cooperation and support.

To my officers, a special thanks for your loyalty and conscientiousness in the performance of your duties.

Respectfully submitted,

*Victor J. Milani*

Victor J. Milani  
Chief of Police



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

With the IT Corporation's hazardous waste plant proposal for the Town of Warren, the Brimfield Board of Health recognized its responsibility and busied itself attending informational meetings with state officials and eventually became a part of a coordinated effort between the five abutting towns of Palmer, Ware, East Brookfield, Brookfield, and Brimfield. The Board of Health felt it had an obligation to its Townspeople to be able to advise the Selectmen, who would eventually have to sign off on any hazardous waste plant construction proposal in the neighborhood. This is currently defined in the Hazardous Waste Siting Law of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. This Board not only involved itself with the other five towns, but found itself being appointed as the coordinator for all five towns in connection with the effort. In the event that this plant should be built, the Board had to concern itself with air and water monitoring and just what our Town should request from the IT Corporation before our Chief Executive signed off on the proposal. However, it was in the wisdom of the Townspeople of Brimfield, as they voted at a Town meeting, not to participate in this Hazardous Waste Siting Law; even so, the Board has fully prepared itself in the event that the Town is unsuccessful in stopping IT so that they can advise the Selectmen as to all safety guidelines that we would feel necessary.

Mr. John Jacquinet continues as Plumbing Inspector. He may be reached at 245-9378 and 583-2406.

Thanks to the cooperation of the Townspeople, the rubbish collection service continues to be successful.

The Board of Health renewed its agreement with Harrington Hospital for community health nursing services.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to advise the Townspeople that the first step to be taken by anyone contemplating the building of a new dwelling or other new building where toilet facilities are required by law must have a percolation test performed by a licensed Engineer or Sanitarian before obtaining a building permit. The percolation test is to be observed and approved by Lyman Stanton, Agent of the Board of Health. Repairs to existing septic systems must also be performed under the direction of Lyman Stanton (telephone number 245-9804).

The members of the Board of Health are unsalaried.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard D. May, Chairman  
Edward J. Killian  
Clayton L. Thomas, MD

## REPORT OF CONSERVATION COMMISSION.

It was with great regret the Conservation Commission accepted the resignation of Miss Helene Lindblad who served so ably as chairman of our Commission for six years.

Mr. Cheney Lawrence, President of General Clearing Contractors Inc., cleared a massive amount of debris from meadow Brook from Lake Sherman to Route 20 and Route 20 to the end of the Cemetery line. The balance remaining in the account will be used to remove the boulders near the Academy footbridge which are continually used for dams.

Two members attended the Annual Meeting of M.A.C.C. in March. They reported on panel discussions concerning saving farmlands, endangered plants and hazardous waste.

At the request of the Assessors, a policy was worked out for Chapter 61A the "Farmland Assessment Act". To qualify 5 Acres must be farmed with a yield of at least \$500 per year. Mr. Hollander, the State Forester, met with the Commission to explain changes in Chapter 61, a forest cutting plan to conserve forest growth.

Mr. Jerry Belber, a longtime member resigned and Mr. William Pratt was appointed by the Selectmen to fill the vacancy.

As in former years, the Commission sponsored a child from Grade 6 in the Elementary School to the Cape Cod Outdoor Education Program.

Members made inspections of Meadow Brook upon numerous occasions, of a proposed fill on Wales Road, of an illegal fill on Apple Road, and are in the process of investigating a problem on Wales Road.

The State has nominated the Quaboag River in its Scenic River Program. Mrs. Powers and the Commission will work to have it designated as a Scenic River by the State,.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brimfield Conservation Commission.

Helen E. Sweeney, Ch.  
Herman J. Haven  
Gerald J. Morin  
Henry L. Pelletier

Suzanne A. Phifer  
Cynthia Powers  
William Pratt  
Marcia Starkey Assoc. Member



BRIMFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY  
Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010

July 1, 1982

Circulation - 6795  
Attendance - 5003

Inter-Library Loans - 83  
Holdings - 9020

The library has had a busy year. There was a children's summer reading program involving 40 young people and a story hour for 20 pre-school children. Two elementary school classes visited us, our staff attended six library workshops, and several area organizations used our premises for meetings. We also began a series of exhibits of the work of local artists and craftspeople.

Our many friends have again been generous. The Lester Parker Memorial Fund gifted us with audio equipment for an oral history program and our committee is developing a rich collection of local lore. The Brimfield Garden Club once again gave us a lovely Christmas wreath and many individuals have donated their time and energy as well as adding books to our collection. We thank all our benefactors.

The Brimfield Library continues its active participation in the Central Massachusetts Regional Library System, through which we are able to borrow large numbers of books for an indefinite period of time as well as specific titles requested by patrons.

In the library's Sherman Historical Room on Wednesday afternoons Miss Helene Lindblad ably does research, answers questions, conducts correspondence, and adds relevant data to our files.

Mrs. Julia Irvine, Mrs. Carole Mimeault, and Miss Ellen J. Perrow are library assistants and Mr. Frank McLeish cares for the physical premises. These people are conscientious and dedicated.

You are invited to visit your library and let us know how we can serve you. There is a book-drop on the door and books may be renewed by telephone. The hours are: Tuesday - 2:30 to 5:20  
Wednesday - 2:30 to 5:30 and 7:00 to 9:00  
Thursday - 2:30 to 5:30  
Saturday - 2:20 to 5:30 and 7:30 to 9:00

The library will be closed during all Flea Markets.

We thank the community, our staff, and the Board of Trustees for their support and concern.

The following is a list of library employees and their annual compensation: Mrs. Julia Irvine - \$293.20  
Miss Helene Lindblad - \$469.40  
Mr. Frank McLeish - \$391.12  
Mr. Llewellyn Norton - \$100.00  
Miss Ellen J. Perrow - \$32.70  
Mrs. Bronwyn Robertson - \$2865.00  
Mrs. Shirley Hicks - \$66.50

Respectfully submitted,  
B. Robertson, Librarian



TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
01010

REPORT OF THE BRIMFIELD LEGAL COMMITTEE  
FOR HUMAN HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Committee was created by the annual town meeting of 1982. It was charged with taking legal action to prevent the construction of a hazardous waste facility in our neighboring town of Warren.

You gave the Committee \$18,000 of your tax dollars. In the world of expensive attorneys this is a small sum relative to the resources of the forces we have to oppose. The state has spent \$375,000 on a deceptive public relations campaign, the main beneficiary of which would be IT Corporation's proposed plant. IT has spent half a million dollars in legal and public relations fees. The Warren LAC has spent \$140,000 to produce a "scoping" document. The Town of Warren has spent \$50,000 to fight IT and the State in court. The Warren ad hoc citizens' group has spent \$80,000 on attorneys fees.

Your Committee has engaged the services of a well-known environmental attorney, Charles Corkin II, of Davis, Malm & D'Agostine. He has experience on the sides of government, hazardous waste facility developers, and citizens' groups. We have paid him \$10,000 as a retainer and authorized him to commit us to spend another \$5000 for specialized expertise.

Our strategy is not to rush to court, file a complaint, grab a headline, and wait for a dismissal. Rather we have left the door open to gathering evidence from engineers and hydrologists on the unsuitability of the site, and from communication consultants on the disqualifications of the developer. This evidence may be used in suits, in licensing hearings, in lobbying, and other avenues.

If the Warren suit results in a decision favorable to the town, we will have done as much as possible to conserve your money. If it does not, IT will still have to contend with Brimfield and possibly Palmer, whose water supply is drawn from a well only one hundred feet from the river into which IT admits it will discharge waste water.



## REPORT OF THE BRIMFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY

The past twelve months (fiscal 1981-82) have been successful. We are in good shape, operating in the black, have money in the bank, and have paid back \$16000 to the State - no small accomplishment over a five and one-half year period.

The Tenants' Association was active, sponsoring pot luck suppers, bus trips, Christmas Party, Valentine Party, a very successful bazaar, and various other activities. A group of tenants enjoyed Thanksgiving Dinner, the turkey being donated by another tenant, and those present furnishing all the "fixings" - a pleasant holiday for those having no family with whom to enjoy the day. The Association also purchased two "bug lights" which added considerably to the tenants' pleasure on the warm but mosquito-infested evenings.

Colonial Park was pleased to enter a float in the parade which climaxed the 250th Anniversary Celebration, consisting of a hay wagon drawn by the Housing tractor. The wagon bed was a farm barn scene with various old implements displayed, and two tenants relaxing after the labors of the day were over, surrounded by fresh fruits, vegetables, eggs, etc., and bales of hay, much of the produce coming from the tenants' gardens. The legend on the float was "Peace of Mind at Eventide."

We had nine vacancies during the year, seven of whom had been with us since 1977.

A source of pride were the donations made by our tenants to the Ambulance Fund last August, when it appeared that we would lose the vehicles. A total of \$1050 was donated, the largest donation by any single group. Our tenants realize how vulnerable they would be if there were no ambulance, and they are grateful for the excellent service.

On July 1, 1982 Julianne Spooner retired as Executive Director, and Louis H. Lavoie assumed the position. Mrs. Spooner left the post with regret and sadness, assuring her successor of every cooperation, as a volunteer, if needed. She felt it a privilege and an honor to serve our elderly community in this capacity.

We express appreciation to the Highway, Police, and Fire Departments, also the Ambulance Service for their cooperation and to Leodore Menard and Henry Walker, our unpaid security officers who serve us so arduously during Flea Markets.

Respectfully submitted,  
THE BRIMFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY  
Clarence Keith                      Grace Stuart  
Helene Yeames                      Llewellyn Norton  
Alice Adams

BRIMFIELD  
HAMPDEN  
HOLLAND  
MONSON  
WALES

VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
DISTRICT OF EASTERN HAMPDEN COUNTY  
MONSON, MASSACHUSETTS  
01057

January 18, 1983

*In 1982 there were four families aided by the Veterans Services Department involving eight people.*

*Total amount expended during the year was \$6,462.78 of which 50% is reimbursed by the State the town's share being \$3,231.39.*

*All veterans and their dependents should feel free to contact this office whenever their need arises.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Bert B. Nietupski*  
Bert B. Nietupski  
Director of Veterans' Services

FISCAL 1982 REPORT OF THE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

In addition to routine maintenance of the cemetery, 18 burials were performed and 5 foundations constructed. During spring clean up all brush along the perimeter of the cemetery and all evergreen shrubs were trimmed. A section of the cemetery containing 16 new lots, was layed out, also a new frost device was purchased.

Total money spent for perpetual care was \$1,520.00

The total town appropriation of \$2,555.00 was spent.





TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010

REPORT OF THE ZONING  
BOARD OF APPEALS

The Board held no hearings during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1982.

The Board by law has only three powers: (1) to hear appeals to unfavorable decisions of the Zoning Enforcement Authority and to grant relief when it can be established that the Authority has erred, (2) to grant special permits for the uses listed in the by-law as specially permitted when it can be established that such uses would not be detrimental to the present and future character of the town and neighborhood and (3) to grant variances when among other things, it can be established that relief would not derogate the intent of the zoning by-law and that unique conditions affect the premises. The Board's power to grant variances has been severely limited by the revised state zoning enabling act and by amendment to our local by-law.

The Board reports that it has no employees, but contracts for addressing, mailing and stenographic services. The members of the Board serve without salary or expense account, a practice it recommends to all town officials.

Applications for hearings and instructions for processing them are available at the office of the Town Clerk.

George Gross, Chairman  
Richard E. Demetrius  
Lester E. Dutka  
Perry Weston (Associate)  
Michael Koprowski

12/82

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT PEST CONTROL

All reports and observations seem to show that the egg mass count is less than in previous years. There was no spraying done as the Town made no appropriation this year.

Respectfully submitted,  
James E. Killian, Superintendent

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

During the year ending June 30, 1982 the Fire Department responded to a total of 76 alarms, expending 1011 man hours. The following is a breakdown of the alarms:

Mutual Aid 3	Grass Fires 7
Chimney Fires 14	House Fires 3
Barn Fires 3	Motor Vehicle Fires 6
Stand-by at Auto Accidents 21	Forest Fires 4
Misc. 9	False Alarms 6

This year showed an average number of calls, with the exception of the number of chimney fires. This increase, of course, due to the heavy useage of wood and coal stoves. It is imperative that the users of such stoves properly clean and inspect their chimneys and stoves at least once a year.

At this time I would like to explain two commonly misunderstood state laws. The first deals with smoke detectors. By state mandate, anyone who sells a home must, before the time of the sale, install smoke detectors and have a certificate from the Fire Department stating that the detectors were installed in compliance with Chapter 148, Section 26F of the Mass. General Laws. The second law speaks about the use of Kerosene heaters. This law simply states, that a kerosene heater shall not be used in any type of a dwelling where there are humans living. It should be understood that both of these laws have been put into effect to protect the life safety of this and future generations.

During the year the members of the Fire Department have devoted a great number of their spare hours to training. This training, usually held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, is done so that the Department may serve the public in a proficient and professional manner. Also, this year marked the first for us, as we held a public open house during Fire Prevention week. We hope to continue to give the townspeople the chance to come into their station and see what the Fire Department really is, what it does, and what it can do for you.

I must extend a personal and Departmental thank-you to Bobby Hanna. Bobby (as we all know him as) has left the position of Assistant Fire Chief. He will surely be missed in this capacity. I would also like to thank the many townspeople who have given us their help during this past year. If it were not for these people, our jobs would be much tougher to do.

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael L. Wales  
Fire Chief



## SALARIES

Michael Wales	\$350.00
Bob Hanna	\$100.00
Ken Weglarz	\$ 53.60
Jim Whitten	\$ 35.00
Peter Whitten	\$ 21.88
Tom Brown	\$ 28.44
Joe Hopkins	\$44.95
Donna Hellyar	\$30.63
David Branchaud	\$18.59
Steve Phifer	\$29.53
Dick Phifer	\$41.57
Jim Mercy	\$38.29
Ward Cox	\$25.16
Steve Modugno	\$41.57
Steve Denning	\$21.88
Terry Hellyar	\$17.50
Bill Chapin	\$29.53
John Sherris	\$18.59
Dick Morris	\$20.78
Shirley Hopkins	\$27.35
Roger Pratt	\$ 6.56
Helen Cox	\$ 5.47
Sharon Mercy	\$16.41
Eric Romano	\$ 9.84
Cheryl Pratt	\$ 1.09
Carl Eckenbarger	\$ 1.09
Deanna Wood	\$ 1.09
Brian McCloud	\$ 3.27
Will Seguin	\$1.09
Charlie Stanton Jr.	\$ 1.09
Karen Weglarz	\$ 1.09

## FLEA MARKET PAYROLL

Ken Weglarz	\$225.00
Peter Whitten	\$225.00
Joseph Hopkins	\$225.00
Bill Chapin	\$169.00
Tom Brown	\$169.00
Jim Whitten	\$169.00
Steve Denning	\$ 56.00
David Branchaud	\$112.00
Shirley Hopkins	\$112.00
Bob Hanna	\$56.00



Asst. Chief Ken Weglarz, Steve Denning, Chief Michael Wales, David Branchaud, Capt. Peter Whitten. Back row: Lieutenant Joseph Hopkins, Shirley Hopkins, Steve Modugno, Lieutenant Tom Brown, James Whitten.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BRIMFIELD AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC.

In August, 1981, five persons appointed by the Town Moderator of Brimfield to a "Town Ambulance Committee" plus Selectman Jean McGann, met to discuss ways in which the ambulance service to Brimfield, Holland and Wales might be continued, the Brimfield Volunteer Fire Department no longer being able to handle the escalating costs. The five persons were: Charlotte Corry, Ward Cox, Robert LaRochelle, Ann Lincoln, and Julianne Spooner. By means of a house-to-house fund drive, we raised, from Brimfield residents, a little over \$11,000 with which we purchased the two Fire Department ambulances. We immediately began the process of becoming incorporated as a non-profit organization, and assumed the task of running the service. Our Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on December 28, 1981, with officers as follows:

Juliane L. Spooner, President  
Roger W. Bennett, Vice President (replaced Robert LaRochelle,  
transferred by his employer)  
Charlotte Corry, Treasurer  
Ann G. Lincoln, Clerk  
Ward B. Cox, Personnel Liason

We have made every effort to develop sound business practices and set operating policies agreeable to our personnel and the communities we serve. Representatives of the three towns met to discuss a financial formula agreeable to all three towns. For the first time public service runs (Turnpike and Route 20 accidents, unrelated to Brimfield) were isolated, which gave us a newly accurate picture of each town's proportionate use of the service.

During the ten months previous to June 30, 1982, total income from the three towns, reimbursements from insurance companies and individuals, and total expenditures for salaries, liability, vehicle and compensation insurance, gas and oil, replacement equipment, etc. was as follows:

Total income	\$44,369.08
Total expenditures	43,078.93

(Detailed figures are omitted to conserve printing space.

All are available from the Treasurer, Mrs. Charlotte Corry.)

The foregoing income figures do not include the surplus donated for ambulance purchase, which surplus was placed in a savings account, earmarked for future ambulance purchase - a known future expenditure, dependent upon State regulations, or when the need for replacement arises, due to normal wear and tear, etc. To this sum has been added revenue from raffles conducted by the Service and memorial donations made during the ten month period. As of July 1st, this account totalled \$3001.30. We will continue to add to this account through fund-raisers and memorial donations, to have a nest-egg for purchase of a new vehicle when the occasion demands.

May we express our sincere gratitude to those persons who encouraged or made memorial donations. We who are involved with the ambulance service feel that the ambulance is a very vital part of the quality of life in Brimfield, Holland, and Wales. We do, and will, greatly appreciate any donations toward the Brimfield Ambulance Fund.

We also welcome volunteers to become EMTs and volunteers for fund-raising projects. The Service can operate only as long as we have sufficient EMTs and any non-profit organization is dependent upon fundraising



projects and the people who give so generously of their time to ensure the success of these ventures.

We are also very grateful for the support of our full-time employees, Jim Whitten, our mechanic as well as EMT, and Donna Hellyer, who left the service in August, 1982 for other employment, to be replaced by Linda Collette. We look forward to working with Linda, the members of the Spring class of EMTs, as well as all those faithful volunteers who have served the ambulance over the years, and who continue to serve. We could not operate without the dedicated cooperation of each and every EMT and first responder on our roster.

In summary, this first ten months of the Brimfield Ambulance Service, Inc. has been a learning experience for us all. We sincerely thank our dedicated ambulance personnel, Selectmen Jean McGann for her encouragement and untold hours of assistance, and the townspeople of Brimfield, Holland and Wales for their support. We feel we have made secure an effective community service, upon which we can all rely, and of which we can all be proud.

#### BRIMFIELD AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC.

Juliane L. Spooner	- President
Roger Bennett	- Vice President
Charlotte Corry	- Treasurer
Ann Lincoln	- Clerk
Ward Cox	- Personnel Liason



OUR DAYTIME AMBULANCE  
PERSONNEL: STEVE DENNING AND  
LINDA COLLETTE

#### DOG OFFICER REPORT FROM JANUARY 1 TO NOVEMBER 15, 1982

Dog Officer: Earl Cote, Sr.

Dogs, pick up . . . . .	.89
Destroyed . . . . .	.56
Return to owner . . . . .	.19
Sold. . . . .	6
Died on the highway . . . .	8
Gave away pups. . . . .	.18
Complaints. . . . .	.33
Animals killed by dogs. .	8



## TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
ROUTE 19 • BRIMFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS 01010

DURING THE YEAR , 1982, WE PERFORMED THE VARIED TASKS OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT, REQUIRED TO KEEP OUR ROADS IN SATISFACTORY CONDITION. SOME OF THESE TASKS INCLUDE, ROADSIDE MOWING, PATCHING, ROAD OILING, TYPE I PAVING AND GRADING OF GRAVEL ROADS.

ALL THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT VEHICLES, REGARDLESS OF AGE, ARE KEPT IN PEAK CONDITION BY OUR TOP NOTCH MECHANIC, ERNIE BLAKE. THE BOOKKEEPING, WHICH INCREASES DAILY, IS VERY ACCURATELY KEPT BY KEVIN PRATT.

WITH APPROXIMATELY 60 MILES OF ROADS TO TAKE CARE OF, IT IS BECOMING INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT TO PERFORM ALL THE NECESSARY FUNCTIONS WITH A THREE MAN FORCE. I STRONGLY ADVISE HIRING ANOTHER FULL TIME EMPLOYEE.

I WISH TO THANK ALL THE TOWNSPEOPLE FOR THEIR PATIENCE AND UNDERSTANDING WHENEVER THERE IS A PROBLEM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

*John L. Sherman*  
JOHN L. SHERMAN  
HIGHWAY SUPT.

JLS/lrc



REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Harry A. Peters	Term expires 1984
Frances E. Tetreault (Mrs.)	Term expires 1983
Carter Cooley	Term expires 1985

Superintendent of Schools

Roland W. Wilson	Brookfield Road, Sturbridge	347-9014
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School Nurse

Joyce Warren, R.N.	Sturbridge	347-9187
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No School Signal

Information will be broadcast over Stations WTAG, WARE, WESO, and WTIC between 6:30 a.m. and 7:30 a.m.

Transportation of pupils is provided both to the elementary school and high schools by the school committee of each town's elementary school. The decision as to whether it is safe or feasible for buses to run to the high schools is made by the Superintendent of Schools.

School Committee Meetings

The fourth Tuesday of each month throughout the year at 7:30 P.M. at the elementary school.

Entrance Age of Pupils to Kindergarten

Five years of age on or before the first of January following the opening of school in September.

REPORT OF THE  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The most significant event affecting the Brimfield Elementary School, during the year ended June 30, 1981, was the passage of the law limiting taxation, usually called "Proposition 2 1/2". This law limits the total amount of property taxes which the town can levy. It also eliminated the fiscal autonomy of the school committee. This means that the total amount of the school budget is determined directly by the voters at the annual town meeting. In the past, the school committee elected by the voters determined the total amount of the school budget. The school committee still determines how the amount voted by the town will be spent.

In preparing the budget for the year ending June 30, 1982, the committee tried to establish a priority of reductions in cost that would allow us to meet proposition 2 1/2 and still do everything possible to maintain key educational ingredients and overall program scope and content. The budget passed by the voters for the year ending June 30, 1982 is \$15,102 (or 2 1/2%) less than the budget for the year ended June 30, 1981. The only significant areas which were not reduced are salaries and the cost of pupil transportation.

The teachers have not agreed to a contract for the period beginning September 1, 1981. They have stated that the salary increases offered by the committee are too small. We have kept the same number of teaching positions for 1982 as 1981, (we reduced the number of teacher aides by two). Next year, it may be impossible to meet teacher demands for salary increases without reducing the number of teachers. (unless the voters decide to increase the school budget).

The school tried to comply with a memo issued early in 1981 by the Selectmen in which all departments were asked to voluntarily reduce their appropriated expenditure for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1981 by 2.38% in an effort to offset the effect on Brimfield of the reduction in revenue from automobile excise taxes which were reduced by proposition 2 1/2. A 2.38% reduction in the fiscal 1981 budget would be \$14,449. The school managed to return more than \$10,000 to the town.

This report would not be complete without giving recognition and thanks to the people whose continuing conscientious and dedicated efforts help to provide an education for the children of Brimfield. These people include Superintendent Roland Wilson and his staff, our teaching staff, our teacher aides and learning disability tutors, Mrs. Alma Howlett and her cafeteria staff, chief custodian George Moran and his staff, Richard Souliere and his bus drivers, and the Friends of Brimfield Elementary School members and supporters. The committee appreciates the support shown by each of these people and by all of the people of Brimfield.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harry Peters, Chairman  
Carter Cooley, Secretary  
Frances Tetreault, Tantasqua  
Representative

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT  
1981-82

As principal of Brimfield Elementary School, I took a close look at the strides made by our school during the 1981-82 academic year. It was a year which included changes in staff and academic programs. It was also a year that included the continuation of successful programs initiated in previous years.

During this year we did have some notable staff changes. The following people were added to the staff:

Paula Remick	Instrumental Music
Denise Ducasse	Kindergarten
Linda Warman	2nd Grade
Susan Warner	3rd Grade
Adrienne Bencivenni	4th Grade

The close of the year brought the resignation of our school nurse, Mrs. Joyce Warren, and Mrs. Bunny Robertson, library aide. Both of these resignations were accepted with regret. Mrs. Diane Zini, a fourth grade teacher, also resigned during the school year. They will all be missed.

A significant change in curriculum was made during the academic year. This year marked the final change to the 1980 Economy Reading Series. We also added an alternative reading program for youngsters in grades 1-6. These changes give us greater flexibility in meeting the needs of children at Brimfield Elementary School today.

This year saw us continue programs that were successful in the past. The PreSchool Program and the Cape Cod Outdoor Education Program continued to flourish because of the efforts of teachers, staff, parents and students.

The Competency Testing Program in reading, math and writing, mandated by the Department of Education, has continued. Brimfield students have done extremely well in this area. This is due to the preparation given to students by our staff.

Each year we have set aside time in the fifth grade curriculum for the study of local history. Both teachers work to acquaint students with their own community and to its history.

One of the areas where we have tried to conserve funds is energy. Through the diligent efforts of Mr. George Moran and his assistants we have continued to cut our energy costs. The Electrical Department of Tantasqua Regional High School conducted a "delamping" program throughout the building. This has helped to cut electrical costs for the next academic year.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the staff, the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Roland Wilson, the Brimfield School Committee, The Friends of Brimfield Elementary School and the community for their support and assistance during the year.



# TANTASQUA & UNION #61 SCHOOL DISTRICTS

## 1982-83 SCHOOL CALENDAR

### September

		1	2	3	
--	7	8	9	10	
13	14	15	16	17	(21)
20	21	22	23	24	
27	28	29	30		

### February

	1	2	3	4	
7	8	9	10	11	
14	15	16	17	18	(15)
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28					

### October

				1	
4	5	6	7	8	
--	12	13	14	15	(20)
18	19	20	21	22	
25	26	27	28	29	

### March

	1	2	3	4	
7	8	9	10	11	
14	15	16	17	18	(23)
21	22	23	24	25	
28	29	30	31		

### November

1	2	3	4	5	
8	9	10	--	12	(19)
15	16	17	18	19	
22	23	24*	--	--	
29	30				

### April

				--	
4	5	6	7	8	
11	12	13	14	15	(15)
--	--	--	--	--	
25	26	27	28	29	

### December

		1	2	3	
6	7	8	9	10	
13	14	15	16	17	(17)
20	21	22	23	--	
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### May

2	3	4	5	6	
9	10	11	12	13	(21)
16	17	18	19	20	
23	24	25	26	27	
--	31				

### January

3	4	5	6	7	
10	11	12	13	14	
17	18	19	20	21	(21)
24	25	26	27	28	
31					

### June

		1	2	3	
6	7	8	9	10	
13	14	15	16	17	(14)
20					

186 days

\*1/2 day

August 31 - Opening Workshop and Preparation  
September 1 - First Full Day of School

## FINANCIAL SHEET FOR 1980-1981

School Appropriations July 1980 - June 1981

\$607,102.00

Expenditures:Administration:

School Committee	\$ 1,330.68
Superintendent's Office	11,560.29

Instruction:

Principal's Salary	23,772.18
Clerical Salary	8,234.64
Principal's Office - Other Expenses	889.64
Teachers' Salaries	227,752.08
Substitute Teachers	2,805.00
Teacher Aides - Salaries	12,809.24
Supplies & Materials	10,373.31
Personnel Training & Travel	456.16
Other Expenses - Travel-Art,Music,etc.	100.00
Special Education Salaries (Perceptually Handicapped & Speech)	33,056.17
Textbooks	2,901.32
Library Services	616.55
Audio Visual	1,221.77
Guidance Services - Salaries	15,532.86
Supplies & Materials - Testing & Speech	1,996.07
Psychological Services	1,980.02

Other School Services:

Attendance	50.00
Health Services	5,841.86

Other School Services: (Continued)

Pupil Transportation	\$ 86,702.82
Late Bus Transportation	7,344.10
Special Education Transportation	29,532.54
Food Services	2,000.00
Field Trips	1,147.52

Operation & Maintenance of Plant:

Custodial Salaries - School	28,574.11
Supplies & Materials	5,883.89
Fuel	19,763.44
Gas	385.57
Utilities - Adm. Off.	193.82
Utilities - School	19,604.77
Maintenance of Grounds	923.22
Maintenance of Building	2,844.45
Maintenance of Equipment - Adm. Off.	291.79
Maintenance of Equipment - School	1,122.73

Acquisition of Fixed Assets:

New Equipment - School	93.21
New Equipment - Library	1,576.69
Replacement of Equipment - Adm. Off.	-0-
Replacement of Equipment - School	-0-

Programs With Other Districts: Regional  
and Private Schools

Special Education Tuition	24,129.34
Vocational Tuition & Transportation	30.00

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Total Appropriations Expenditures July 1980 - June 1981

\$595,423.85



Estimated State Reimbursements:

Chapter 70	\$ 98,046.00	
Chapter 71	37,673.00	
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Total Estimated Reimbursements	\$135,719.00	
Total Expenditures		\$595,423.85
Less Estimated Reimbursements		135,719.00
		<hr/>
Cost to Taxpayer		\$459,704.85

1981-1982 Budget

Administration	\$13,044.00
Instruction	343,000.00
Other School Services	129,138.00
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	86,970.00
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	1,710.00
Programs with Other Districts, Regional and Private Schools	18,138.00
Total 1981-1982 Appropriation	<hr/> \$592,000.00*

\*(Special Needs Program included in Budget)

2000 Instruction	\$34,019.00
1000,3000,4000 Series	41,466.00
9000 Programs with other Districts	18,038.00
	<hr/> \$93,523.00

## SCHOOL DIRECTORY 1981-82

POSITION	NAME	DEGREE	YRS. SERV. BRIMFIELD	TOTAL	
				YRS.	SERVICE
Superintendent	Roland W. Wilson	B.S., M.Ed., Worc. State Doct. Study, U/Conn.	15	27	
Asst.Superintendent	John J. Welch	B.S., Boston University M.A., Framingham State Ed.D., Boston College	0	12	
Asst.Superintendent Business & Finance	William J. Utess	B.S., MBA, American Int. College	13	13	
Principal	John Gannon	B.S., M.A., Worcester State	2	16	
Kindergarten	Denise Ducasse	B.A., Anna Maria College	0	6	
Grade 1	Carole Mimeault	B.A., Univ. Mass.	12	12	
Grade 1	Frances Souliere	B.A., M.A., Coll.Lady of Elms	23	28	
Grade 2	Linda Warman	B.S., Northwest Missouri State Univ.	1	2	
Grade 2	Susan Bernard	B.S., Worcester State	5	5	
Grade 3	Susan Warner	B.S., Westfield State College	0	1	
Grade 3	Anne Dupont	B.A., Northwestern University	13	13	
Grade 4	Adrienne Bencivenni	B.S., Russell Sage College/Troy,N.Y.	0	13	
Grade 4	Donna Kaitbenski	B.S.E., Westfield State	2	3	
Grade 5	Sandra Gibson	B.S., Bridgewater State M.A., Worcester State	13	13	
Grade 5	Elizabeth Ahern	B.S., Westfield State	17	17	
Grade 6	Peter Smith	B.A., Univ. Mass.	5	5	
Grade 6	Chris B. Schell	BBA, U.Mass/ M.A., Worcester State	12	13	

Music	Judith Smith	B.M., Barrington College	4	5
Remedial Reading	Catherine Haley	B.A., Univ.Mass., M.Ed., American Int. College	0	23
Art	Mary Goodrich	B.S., Univ. New Hampshire	13	17
Psychologist	Richard R. Ervin	B.S., Univ. Mass M.A./CAGS, Assumption College	2	11
Physical Ed.	Charles Summers, Jr.	B.S., Springfield College	1	2
Speech Therapist	Elizabeth Plante	B.S., Worcester State	2	4
Instrument.Music	Paula Remick	B.M., Ithaca College, N.Y.	0	4
Mod.Special Needs	Paul Szolusha	B.A., Purdue University	4	4
Mod.Special Needs	Ethlyn Dorrington	B.A., Boston College	3	3

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1981

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>K</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Sp. Ed.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Elementary	36	34	27	32	38	36	41	0	244
<u>GRADE</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>PG</u>		
Tantasqua Junior	40	38	41						119
Tantasqua Senior				36	30	40			106
Tantasqua Vocational				3	8	3	3	1	18
TOTAL ENROLLMENT									487



# TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

## Teaching Staff Salaries 1981-1982

<u>Principal</u>	
John Gannon	\$ 25,275.00
<u>Teachers</u>	
Elizabeth Ahern	16,589.83
M. Adrienne Bencivenni	11,725.46
Susan Bernard	13,314.59
Denise Ducasse	11,796.02
Anne Dupont	16,836.60
Sandra Gibson	17,623.35
Mary Goodrich (art-shared)	6,894.64
Catherine Haley	17,476.60
Donna Kaitbenski	12,923.91
Carole Mimeault	17,136.60
Paula Remick (Inst. Music-shared)	1,988.71
Chris Schell	16,956.60
Judith Smith (Music-shared)	8,084.75
Peter Smith	13,074.59
Frances Souliere	17,623.35
Charles Summers, Jr. (Phys. Ed. shared)	7,029.61
Linda Warman	11,010.18
Susan Warner	11,316.02
<u>Speech Therapist</u>	
Elizabeth Plante (shared)	5,407.28
<u>Guidance</u>	
Richard Ervin	16,380.06
<u>Moderate Special Needs</u>	
Ethlyn Dorrington	12,099.82
Paul Szolusha	13,500.42
<u>Nurse</u>	
Joyce Warren (shared)	4,679.32
<u>Principal's Office</u>	
Joan Erban	8,646.00
<u>Teacher Aides</u>	
Marcia Cutler	3.25 hr.
Bronwyn Robertson	3.47 hr.
<u>Special Needs Aide</u>	
Beverly Phifer	3.25 hr.
<u>Nurse's Aide</u>	
Joan Erban	3.15 hr.
<u>Custodians</u>	
George Moran	5.37 hr.
George Stanton	4.40 hr.
Roger Underwood	4.47 hr.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

During the past year our schools have faced the first year of the impact of Proposition 2½. Impact of Proposition 2½ on our schools has been minimized by the provision of additional funds in Brookfield, Holland and Wales. Some services previously curtailed in preliminary budgets were restored in the final budget or at subsequent special town meetings.

Tantasqua Regional assessments were reduced by approximately fifteen percent reflecting the required reductions of the Town of Brookfield. In the five town district, assessments were cut \$440,605.

Tantasqua staff reductions included twelve teachers, a library aide, a nurse's aide, and two custodians. Additional cuts also required a reduction of sports programs, complete removal of capital outlay expenditures, reduced maintenance projects, and reduced travel.

Unfortunately, additional reductions are required in the 1982-83 school budget. These reductions, while necessary, will further reduce our total educational program.

Our district is now facing a slight decline in enrollment. Whether this trend will continue is speculation at this time. New housing developments, changing industrial plans, and other factors all affect our projections. We feel that enrollment will remain constant barring any unusual shifts in population dictated by changing industrial patterns.

Tantasqua Regional High begins 1982 with the appointment of a new Principal. Dr. C. Jeremy Sykes was appointed Principal on January 19, 1982 to replace Mr. Garfield Norton who served Tantasqua

as Principal for eleven and a half years. Mr. Norton deserves much credit for Tantasqua's reputation as a fine academic school.

Dr. Sykes holds a Bachelors Degree from Brandeis, a Masters and C.A.G.S. from Wesleyan, and a Doctorate from Harvard University. He comes to us well qualified to continue the leadership provided by Mr. Norton.

Other administrative changes have occurred at Brookfield Elementary School where Mr. Wilfred Martel has notified us that he will retire after 22 years of service to Brookfield Elementary School serving nine years as Principal. Mr. Martel has served the children of Brookfield with dedication and skill.

At Tantasqua Junior High, Mr. Johann Leth-Steensen requested that he be returned to the classroom from his position as Assistant Principal of Tantasqua Regional Junior High School. Mr. Steensen served for five years with dedication and skill.

With Mr. Steensen's reassignment, Mr. David Roach, a well qualified member of the Tantasqua staff for ten years, was selected from sixty applicants to become Assistant Principal at Tantasqua Junior High.

One of the outstanding curriculum events of this past year was the Arts Festival on the Brimfield Common organized by the elementary principals and the music and art supervisors in Brimfield, Holland, Wales and Tantasqua Junior and Senior High Schools. Many of the citizens of these towns were able to see a showcase of the music and art curriculum offerings from elementary grades through high school years. Principals John Gannon, Joe DiFabio and Robert Vaughan and all music and art personnel



are to be commended for this effort.

In other curriculum areas, Sturbridge Elementary's Individual Potential Program for gifted children in its third year of operation was validated by a visiting committee of educators who rated the S.I.P.P. program an outstanding educational program. John Snelgrove, Principal, and Kathryn Enright together with the Sturbridge Committee on the gifted deserve high praise.

Curriculum support by parents is evident in Brookfield. Brookfield Community Club provided funds and time to support our schools. Many services and programs were available with the support of this fine organization.

Our thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Bryan Plumb who donated a baritone horn to be housed at Brookfield Elementary School but for use in Union #61. This gift was presented in memory of their son Tristan.

Tantasqua graduates this past year received acceptances at some of the finest colleges in the country. Graduates were accepted at Brown, Amherst, Air Force Academy, Holy Cross, Ripon, Babson, Endicott, University of Massachusetts, University of Lowell, Worcester Tech, Bentley, Assumption and many other fine colleges.

Three students were named commendation winners in the National Merit Competition. One student was recognized as a finalist from the thousands who took the examination with two students receiving letters of commendation.

Another curriculum program, our Cape Cod Outdoor Education Program, now includes all five towns of our district. This experience presents an opportunity for an excellent outdoor education experience for students in Union #61.

As we look to the future, we must realize the impact of our.

educational program. We must recognize its worth to our students and not allow the removal of vital programs. Education is more important than ever before.

In conclusion, I must express my thanks to the School Committee members for their outstanding contribution of time and effort to our schools, our staff for their dedication, perseverance, and concern and most especially the citizens of our towns who support our schools in this very difficult financial period.

Respectfully submitted,

Roland W. Wilson  
Superintendent of Schools

#### TOWN COMMON

Since the advent of Proposition 2 1/2 the Town has not had to allot any Town funds towards the upkeep of the Town Common. We have had a very generous group of volunteers who pick up, clean up, and mow our Common; and although they wish for no accolades it is fitting in this Town Report to thank MARGE REILLY, STANLEY LIVERNOIS, JAMES ADAMS, BOB KEITH, JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT, DENNIS MCCURDY, LOUIS FLOWERS, LOUIS LAVOIE, MICHAEL KOPROWSKI, JOHN SHERMAN, AND LEE ADAMS. for their efforts. Volunteers for this year are always welcome.

## REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Brimfield Recreation Committee is pleased to report that 1982 was a highly successful year as all of our programs expanded in scope and in the number of participants.

In the Spring we fielded eight Baseball and Softball teams with children from age 8-14 participating.

During the summer, over 60 children enrolled at Holland State Park for Red Cross Swimming Lessons. This program is open to children aged 6-12. Announcements concerning this program will be made through the Elementary School and the newspapers.

Soccer continues to boom in Brimfield as 5 teams (approx. 75 children) played their hearts out in the 4th year of the Tantasqua Regional Youth Soccer League (T.R.Y. Soccer). Lynne Lacey has been our coordinator and Town Representative for the past three years and has done a terrific job. Children aged 7-14 are eligible for T.R.Y. Soccer.

Our Basketball program completed a season which saw Brimfield organizing, with Don Moriarty coordinating, the Four Town BB League including Brimfield, Holland, Wales, and Monson. The program begins with children in the first and second grades. League plays begins at grade three and extends through Jr. High. Peter Smith coached our High School boys program. One night each week was reserved for a men's group which next year will expand to two time slots; the under thirty and over thirty divisions. No wonder we kiddingly refer to Don's program as "our cradle to the grave" basketball program.

Since the imposition of Proposition 2½, funding for Youth Recreation has shrunk as our programs have expanded. We have attempted to deal with this crisis in the following ways: 1. each season a \$3-4 registration fee per child is required. 2. We were major contributors in time and effort to the highly successful First Annual Brimfield County Fair; Pam and Don Moriarty were our chief organizers and they did a great job.

We need to stress however, that the Recreation Committee can not hope to survive without town funding. The possibility of zero funding has been considered by the Finance Committee and needs to be discussed. In recent years our budget has shrunk from \$3200 (1980) to \$1500 (1981) to \$300 (1982) (our original allotment of \$1500 in 1982 was recalled at a special town meeting in January to prevent a 2½ override). We hope to have your support for our programs at the Annual Town Meeting.

We wish to thank all of the teachers and the staff of Brimfield Elementary for their help and cooperation. Special thanks to Principal John Gannon, Mr. Peter Smith and the custodians.

Also, thanks to innumerable parents and friends who pitch in to provide a great experience for America's greatest resource-our children.

Submitted by:

Sandy and Geoff Earls  
Lynn and Ken Lacey  
Pam and Don Moriarty  
Karen and Bob Bergstrom  
Ray Ciesluk



FY 82 APPROPRIATIONS  
07/01/81 TO 06/30/82  
DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNT BALANCE

DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATION OR BEGIN BALANCE	TRANSFER & OTHER	TOTAL	EXPENDED	BALANCE	FOOT NOTES
MODERATOR SALARY	100. 00		100. 00	100. 00	0. 00	
SELECTMEN						
SALARY	1, 400. 00		1, 400. 00	962. 50	437. 50	
CLERK	1, 000. 00		1, 000. 00	946. 47	35. 53	
EXPENSE	1, 670. 00	217. 74	1, 887. 74	1, 887. 74	0. 00	1
ENVIROMENTAL GRANT		2, 000. 00	2, 000. 00	0. 00	2, 000. 00	2
COMM FOR HUMAN HEALTH		2, 000. 00	2, 000. 00	0. 00	2, 000. 00	3
AUDIT	3, 000. 00		3, 000. 00	0. 00	3, 000. 00	
TOWN CLERK						
SALARY	1, 840. 00		1, 840. 00	1, 840. 00	0. 00	
EXPENSE	600. 00		600. 00	507. 15	92. 85	
TOWN ACCOUNTANT						
SALARY	2, 000. 00		2, 000. 00	2, 000. 00	0. 00	
EXPENSE	250. 00		250. 00	216. 89	33. 11	
TAX COLLECTOR						
SALARY	1, 775. 00		1, 775. 00	1, 775. 00	0. 00	
EXPENSE	2, 050. 00		2, 050. 00	2, 039. 30	10. 70	
TAX TAKING		500. 00	500. 00	319. 32	180. 68	4
LIENS AND FEES	304. 20	1, 477. 07	1, 781. 27	1, 372. 27	409. 00	5
TOWN TREASURER						
SALARY	1, 775. 00		1, 775. 00	1, 775. 00	0. 00	
EXPENSE	3, 760. 00	( 1, 000. 00)	2, 760. 00	1, 235. 55	1, 524. 45	6
ENCUMBERED		1, 000. 00	1, 000. 00	0. 00	1, 000. 00	6
ASSESSORS						
SALARY	1, 350. 00		1, 350. 00	1, 350. 00	0. 00	
CLERK	1, 350. 00	1, 200. 00	2, 550. 00	2, 256. 63	293. 37	7
PROPERTY COUNTERS	100. 00		100. 00	0. 00	100. 00	
EXPENSE	4, 840. 00		4, 840. 00	4, 840. 00	0. 00	
REVALUATION LIST	1, 000. 00		1, 000. 00	0. 00	1, 000. 00	
100% REVALUATION	20, 498. 60		20, 498. 60	18, 939. 30	1, 553. 36	
TOWN COUNSEL						
SALARY	400. 00		400. 00	400. 00	0. 00	
EXPENSE	2, 200. 00		2, 200. 00	749. 25	1, 450. 75	
ELECTION & REGISTRATION						
SALARY	450. 00	129. 50	579. 50	579. 50	0. 00	1
EXPENSE	550. 00		550. 00	260. 93	289. 07	
TOWN REPORT						
EXPENSE	1, 000. 00	587. 00	1, 587. 00	1, 587. 00	0. 00	1

DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATION OR BEGIN BALANCE	TRANSFER & OTHER	TOTAL	EXPENDED	BALANCE	FOOT NOTE
GROUP INSURANCE						
TOWN SHARE	11,500.00	227.26	11,727.26	17,411.38	( 5,684.12)	8
EMPLOYEE SHARE		18,141.75	18,141.75	16,720.61	1,421.14	8
POLICE DEPARTMENT						
SALARY	1,700.00		1,700.00	1,699.50	0.50	
EXPENSE	2,190.00		2,190.00	2,188.24	1.76	
PARKING TICKET CLERK		775.00	775.00	50.00	725.00	9
FLEA MARKET		37,292.59	37,292.59	15,999.78	21,290.83	10
DONATION	65.00	15.00	80.00	0.00	80.00	11
REVOLVING	2,704.94	1,255.06	3,960.00	2,509.58	1,450.42	12
FIRE DEPARTMENT						
SALARY	1,050.00		1,050.00	1,047.19	2.81	
EXPENSE	9,000.00		9,000.00	8,978.74	21.26	
CAPITAL EXPENSE	3,520.00		3,520.00	3,512.34	7.66	
DOG OFFICER						
EXPENSE	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,462.68	37.32	
BOARD OF HEALTH						
SALARY	750.00		750.00	744.50	5.50	
CLERK	250.00		250.00	189.72	60.28	
EXPENSE	2,820.00		2,820.00	1,314.06	1,505.94	
RUBBISH CONTRACT	26,760.00	2,500.00	29,260.00	28,011.50	1,248.50	1
COUNCIL ON AGING						
EXPENSE	500.00		500.00	483.01	16.99	
ELDERBUS	1,000.00		1,000.00	166.74	833.26	
ELDERLY GRANT	258.28	480.00	738.28	526.58	211.70	2
HOME CARE SERVICE	371.00		371.00	0.00	371.00	
LIBRARY						
SALARY	4,015.00	341.12	4,356.12	4,356.12	0.00	1
EXPENSE	7,442.00	457.27	7,899.27	7,732.08	167.19	13
RECREATION COMMITTEE						
SALARY	300.00		300.00	300.00	0.00	
EXPENSE	1,200.00		1,200.00	1,199.92	0.08	
MEMORIAL DAY						
EXPENSE	450.00		450.00	408.42	41.58	
VETERAN OFFICE						
BENIFITS	8,000.00	7,824.61	15,824.61	12,852.11	2,972.50	14
COUNTY RETIREMENT						
ASSESSMENT	14,920.00		14,920.00	14,920.00	0.00	
EMPLOYEE SHARE		6,492.17	6,492.17	6,492.17	0.00	8
PLANNING BOARD						
EXPENSE	250.00		250.00	116.40	138.60	

DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATION OR BEGIN BALANCE	TRANSFER & OTHER	TOTAL	EXPENDED	BALANCE	FOOT NOTES
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS EXPENSE	255. 00	16. 38	271. 38	271. 38	0. 00	1
ZONING OFFICER EXPENSE	350. 00		350. 00	314. 72	35. 28	
BUILDING INSPECTOR EXPENSE	500. 00		500. 00	499. 43	0. 57	
BUILDING REVOLVING	420. 00	1, 000. 00	1, 420. 00	1, 000. 00	420. 00	15
ELECTRIC REVOLVING	5. 00	390. 00	395. 00	390. 00	5. 00	15
PLUMBING REVOLVING	( 30. 00)		( 30. 00)	0. 00	( 30. 00)	
CONSERVATION COMMISSION EXPENSE	250. 00		250. 00	247. 10	2. 90	
DREDGING STREAMS	6, 296. 20		6, 296. 20	3, 891. 50	2, 404. 70	
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT						
SALARY	15, 470. 00		15, 470. 00	15, 470. 00	0. 00	
WAGES	25, 480. 00	11, 738. 25	37, 218. 25	37, 218. 25	0. 00	16
GENERAL HIGHWAY	15, 000. 00	4, 707. 12	19, 707. 12	19, 707. 12	0. 00	1
HIGHWAY MAINT.	7, 900. 00	246. 55	8, 146. 55	8, 146. 55	0. 00	1
FUEL AND LUBE	10, 000. 00		10, 000. 00	14, 147. 65	( 4, 147. 65)	
MACHINERY MAINT	10, 000. 00	2, 423. 42	12, 423. 42	16, 056. 74	( 3, 633. 32)	1
CHAPTER 90	( 14, 483. 75)		(14, 483. 75)	0. 00	(14, 483. 75)	
CHAPTER 329		27, 063. 00	27, 063. 00	27, 254. 53	( 191. 53)	17
CHAPTER 480	( 20, 043. 77)	8, 044. 48	( 11, 999. 29)	8, 044. 48	(20, 043. 77)	17
CHAPTER 570		7, 000. 00	7, 000. 00	12, 636. 64	( 5, 636. 64)	18
PREPARE & OIL ROADS	14, 000. 00	( 9, 912. 20)	4, 087. 80	3, 590. 22	497. 58	16
IMPROVE ROADS	7, 000. 00	( 7, 000. 00)	0. 00	0. 00	0. 00	18
WORKMEN'S COMP	6, 598. 93	3, 000. 00	9, 598. 93	8, 213. 20	1, 385. 73	19
TREE WARDEN						
SALARY	100. 00		100. 00	100. 00	0. 00	
EXPENSE	400. 00		400. 00	400. 00	0. 00	
STREET LIGHTS EXPENSE	5, 000. 00	1, 766. 95	6, 766. 95	6, 766. 95	0. 00	1
CEMETARY COMMISSION EXPENSE	2, 550. 00	823. 94	3, 378. 94	3, 378. 94	0. 00	1
PERPETUAL CARE	( 1, 438. 05)	1, 227. 97	( 210. 08)	1, 522. 00	( 1, 732. 08)	20
TOWN PROPERTY/BUILDINGS						
TOWN HALL	7, 990. 00		7, 990. 00	6, 626. 16	1, 357. 84	
TOWN BARN	7, 610. 00		7, 610. 00	6, 762. 18	847. 82	
TOWN COMMON	0. 00		0. 00	0. 00	0. 00	
PROPERTY INSURANCE	16, 000. 00		16, 000. 00	20, 212. 00	( 4, 212. 00)	
FINANCE COMMITTEE EXPENSE	250. 00		250. 00	190. 06	59. 94	
RESERVE FUND	15, 000. 00	( 15, 000. 00)	0. 00	0. 00	0. 00	1



DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATION OR BEGIN BALANCE	TRANSFER & OTHER	TOTAL	EXPENDED	BALANCE	FOOT NOTES
LOAN & DEBT SERVICE						
ELEM. SCHOOL BOND	30,335.00		30,335.00	30,335.00	0.00	
INTEREST	40,000.00		40,000.00	49,749.23	( 9,749.23)	
NOTE CERTIFICATION	150.00	160.00	310.00	310.00	0.00	1
CIVIL DEFENSE						
EXPENSE	375.00		375.00	374.65	0.35	
AMBULANCE						
EXPENSE	16,000.00		16,000.00	16,000.00	0.00	
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT						
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	596,665.00	( 11,196.52)	585,468.48	579,215.80	6,252.68	6
SCHOOL ENCUMBERED	17,296.03	11,196.52	28,492.55	17,296.03	11,196.52	6
TITLE IV-B		1,389.00	1,389.00	0.00	1,389.00	2
SCHOOL LUNCH	2,000.00	26,789.86	28,789.86	27,132.07	1,657.79	21
TANTASQUA	407,481.00		407,481.00	384,328.00	23,153.00	

FOOT NOTES - EXPLANATION OF TRANSFER & OTHER

- 1 - TRANSFERED FROM RESERVE FUND
- 2 - GRANT RECEIVED
- 3 - RECEIVED FROM STOP I. T. GROUP
- 4 - ASSESSOR'S RECAP SHEET
- 5 - DEMANDS AND FEES ON TAXES
- 6 - FY 82 EXPENSES TO BE PAID DURING FY 83
- 7 - SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MARCH 1982
- 8 - WITHHELD FROM EMPLOYEES' SALARIES
- 9 - \$50.00 STM 03/82 & \$425.00 RECEIVED AS FINES
- 10 - FLEA MARKET PERMITS & RE-IMBURSEMENT FOR POLICE
- 11 - DONATION TO TOWN FOR POLICE
- 12 - RECEIVED FOR POLICE DETAILS
- 13 - INTEREST ON LIBRARY TRUST
- 14 - STATE RE-IMBURSEMENT (50%)
- 15 - FEES RECEIVED FOR PERMITS
- 16 - \$9,912.00 TRANSFER FROM PREPARE & OIL ROADS/  
\$1,826.25 TRANSFER FROM RESERVE FUND
- 17 - RE-IMBURSEMENT FROM STATE
- 18 - TRANSFER FROM IMPROVE ROADS
- 19 - TRANSFER FROM WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FUND
- 20 - INTEREST ON PERPETUAL CARE TRUST
- 21 - SUBSIDY & SALE OF MEALS

As the Finance Committee began deliberations for fiscal 1983, we regretfully accepted the resignation of James W. Matthews as chair. "Bud" served ably during the past year, helping to standardize accounts and budget reporting. David Cheney, former chair, agreed to serve as acting chairman. New members Jacques Mathieu, Carol Jensen and James A. Adams Jr. were welcomed.

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1982, \$5,500 was transferred from the Reserve Fund to cover emergency requirements: \$2,500 to the Board of Health (rubbish contract) and \$3,000 to General Highway (sand and salt). The balance of \$9,500 was voted to pay overdraft accounts and unpaid bills. This amount, however, was far from adequate, as these items amounted to \$30,881. This is irresponsible and represents a serious threat to the financial well being of our town. The Highway Department reported the largest deficit: \$11,822 unpaid in five different accounts. The Finance Committee reminds department heads that line appropriations should not be utilized for emergency situations. The Finance Committee wishes to be advised of these circumstances.

The committee adopted a very conservative approach to budget reviews, largely because the full impact of Proposition 2 1/2, recently completed property revaluation, unknown state assessments and reimbursements, and delayed tax bills all contributed to an unhealthy, uncertain fiscal future. In addition, heavy borrowing placed an extraordinary burden on the town. However, the town approved the greatest budget increase (over \$200,000) in recent history at the meeting in May, 1982.

In the coming year, with tax bills completed more promptly, the Finance Committee should be able to review budgets more effectively. The town has many serious questions to consider. The demand on the tax dollar will hardly diminish.

The Finance Committee encourages voters to attend public hearings on money questions, particularly hearings on school budgets. The elementary school and the regional school are the two largest items in our budget. Proposition 2 1/2 has given the town more control than ever over the expenditures of these institutions. We must not assume that every dollar asked for is well spent. The public hearing is a forum for voters to question and scrutinize the goals, plans, and expectations of town departments and to affect those departments as they plan their yearly finances.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Adams, Jr.  
Pamela E. Beall, Secretary (\$50)  
David Cheney, Acting Chairman  
Robert Christo

August DeMiranda  
Roland Demers  
Carol Jensen  
Jacques Mathieu  
Richard Siewick

1980-81 Real Estate  
DELINQUENT LIST AS OF 12/31/82

B & C Gravel Co.	14.19
Bennett, Paul R. & Florence	524.80
Bennett, Paul R. & Florence	153.60
Bliss, David & Ann	56.32
Bliss, David & Ann	222.72
Bliss, David & Ann	1820.16
Bouffard, Roger S.	287.32
Brisson, Benoit J.	345.60
Buccelli, Pasquale	364.80
Burnham, Walter J. Jr. & Loni	314.66
Center for Human Develop Inc.	4928.00
Chapin, Doris	506.86
Day, Frank J.	2.56
Deforge William & Jane	793.60
Demers, Jean . Paul & Carol	1100.80
Dodge, Shirley	52.49
Dougherty, Matthew	102.40
Healey, Frank & Mary H.	38.40
Hebert, Richard & Versie	320.00
Howlett, Joan K.	160.00
Lyons, William G.	119.19
Lyons, William G.	45.04
MacDowell, David W.	241.92
MacDowell, David W. & Shirley	1529.60
Marshall, David W.	30.72
Marshall, David W.	51.20
Marshall, David W.	57.60
Marshall, David W.	64.00
Morin, Jeannie	92.16
Maxwell, William & Sue	12.80
Meckay, Richard, Matilda, Francis	10.90
Moran, Helen	365.70
Ozut, John	83.20
Parnes, Constance	102.40
Pelland, Vivian & Patrie Carol	57.60
Phaneuf, Clifford Sr.	92.83
Pilch, Chester	160.00
Pilch, Chester	657.28
Pilch, Chester	2049.28
Pilch, Chester	6.40
Pilch, Chester	704.00
Sears, Paul J.	69.12
Sibley, Roger W. & Marcia P.	288.52
Suprenant, Joh & Mare	466.38
Vacon, Donald H. & Linda M.	153.60
Zisk, Mary H.	844.80
Weston, Ronald H & Linda	.92



DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAX LIST 1981-1982

ending Dec. 31, 1982

B & C GRAVEL CO.	758.45
Bascom, Edward S.	155.72
Beall, Tod M. & Pamela E.	555.10
Bennett, Paul R. & Florence	404.87
Bennett, Paul R. & Florence	12.82
Benoit, Michelle A.	422.39
Bertrand, Wilfred F.	12.70
Bonneau, Arthur J.	246.31
Bonneau, Arthur J.	170.05
Bonneau, Arthur J.	87.94
	81.72
	34.81
Bouffard, Roger S.	458.00
	5.50
Bowen, Walter & Wymess & Diana	355.41
Berton, Robert	7.33
Brisson, Benoit	305.94
Denning, Mark	230.83
Buccelli, Pasquale	164.11
Burgess, William & Gloria	540.56
Burnam, Mary Florence	102.59
Canary, New owner Woods	784.28
Cavanaugh, Daniel	390.28
Chapin, Doris	428.69
Clowes, Allan I.	113.58
Cook, David G.	1,150.50
Curtis, Donald Jr.	7.33
Cox, Helen	201.71
Daigle, Lionel L.	5.50
D'Angelis	58.68
Deforge, William & Jane	538.61
Dougherty, Matthew	11.00
Douglas, David	5.50
Duckworth, Ruth	404.87
Ellithorpe, Clifford & Doris	868.37
Ellithorpe, Clifford & Doris	60.46
Emond, Roger & Rolande	42.14
Fenton, Edwin & Margaret	67.78
Fountain, Royal W.	500.14
Gamache, Rosalie	12.82
George, Robert E.	130.07
George, Robert E.	128.24
George, Robert E.	131.90
George, Robert E.	159.38
George, Robert E.	128.24
George, Beverly P.	146.56
George, Robert	1,154.16

Goddard, William & Dorothy	322.43
Grant, Sharon	2,418.72
New owner, Sandra Conway	12.82
Haley, Brian	58.62
Haley, Brian	923.14
Haley, Brian	2.00
Haley, Brian	2.00
Haley, Brian	562.42
Haley, Brian	2.00
Harlow, Royal Realty	89.77
Harlow, Royal Realty	754.78
Healy, Frank & Mary	18.32
Hellyer, Terrence	673.46
Hicks, Richard & Dorothy	64.12
Hicks, Richard & Shirley	683.34
Hicks, Richard & Shirley	536.78
Howlett, Joan K.	256.48
Hubbard, Lawrence	458.22
Jackson, Joseph & Geneva	198.54
Jeffrey, Harold & Hazel	304.11
Johnson, James W.	135.57
Johnson, James W.	289.46
Kane c/o Mullane	327.01
Kudla, Walter	393.88
Labonte, Raymond	613.72
LaRose, Arthur J.	306.82
Lavallee, Richard	5.50
Lavrion, Arthur J. & Eileen	15.57
MacConnell, Beatrice	109.28
MacDowell, David	119.08
MacDowell, David	538.61
MacDowell, David	1,799.02
Mahler, Lloyd P. & Joy	271.14
McKinstry, Leonard	214.34
McVeigh, Alexander	15.17
Mendala, Edwin	127.74
Moran, Helen S.	730.97
Morin, Jeannie	58.62
Mullane, James B.	139.23
Mullane, James B.	133.56
Mullane, James B.	282.13
Mullane, James B.	133.74
Murray, Robert H. & Mary	359.07
Nicoli, Richard C.	19.75
Ozut, John	163.05
Ozut, John	12.82
Parnes, Constance	98.93
Pierce, William & Audrey	76.94
Pelland, Vivian	5.50
Phillips	1,480.26
Pierce, William	153.89
Pilch, Chester W.	485.48
Pilch, Chester W.	9.16

Pilch, Chester W.	161.22
Pilch, Chester W.	1,460.10
Pilch, Chester W.	441.51
Pilch, Chester W.	49.56
Pilch, Chester W.	450.57
Pilch, Chester W.	111.75
Pratt, Roger E. & Cheryl L.	331.59
Prunier, Elizabeth	1,278.74
Quatrone, Louis	5.50
Quatrone, Louis	276.53
R. L. W.	117.25
Raby, Paul & Annette	1,187.14
Roberts, Louis F.	76.94
Ross, Robert J.	2,835.94
Rowe, William	1,399.32
Rutaner, David & Clarice	643.03
Ryan, Jonathan	814.40
Segool, James & Arlene	545.94
Segool, James & Arlene	80.61
Segool, James & Arlene	106.26
Seventh Street Realty	109.92
Sherman, Robert	3.66
Sherman, Robert	608.22
Sherman, Robert	5.50
Sherman, Robert	5.50
Sibley, Roger & Maria	1029.58
Snickers, Virginia	335.17
Sotiropoulos, Harry	47.63
Stanley, David	88.41
Stanton, Ralph	72.43
Stearns, James	
New owner Brush Bros.	185.03
Sturtevant, Diane & Robert	1,810.02
Supernant, John	40.30
Supernant, John	1,188.97
Tergliafera, Colin	452.50
Tromblay, Mary A.	16.49
Trombly, Sheila A.	233.04
Trombly, Sheila A.	7.33
Trombly, Sheila A.	12.82
Ullery, Richard S.	7.33
Vacon, Donald & Dianne	12.82
Waite, Elsie & Hicks, Norm	129.50
Weglarz, Kenneth	562.42
Weston, Ronald	117.25
Weston, Ronald	2.50
Weston, Ronald	16.30
Wozny, Joseph	5.50
Zisk, Mary	538.61



# Personal Property Tax

## Deliquent List

1981-1982

Bascom, Edward	12.82
Brisson, Benoit	26.38
Fountain, Royal	44.70
Maynard, Fernand J.	28.95
Peirce, William & Audrey	67.78
Zisk, Mary H.	48.36
Gallo, Joseph A.	45.25
Kudla, Walter J.	33.16
Quatrone, Lewis	24.92
Quintal, Robert R.	45.43

1980-1981

### Farm Animals

Cox, Wardwell	12.80
Hellyar, Terrance	25.60
Hicks, Richard	12.80
Mitchell, Priscilla	128.00
Noone, Spud	256.00
Weglarz, Kenneth	3.20
Wright, Sandra	25.60
Haley, Brian	12.80
Samek, Raymond	154.40

1980-1981

### Business

Countryside	64.00
Grant, Robert	537.60
Jackson, Joseph	128.00
Pleu, Walter G.	704.00
Trailer Marine Sails	640.00
Trant Equipment	896.00
Zikos, Pantelis	115.20

1980-1981 Personal Property

Baseom, Edward S.	19.20
Bresson, Benoit J.	23.04
Fountain, Royal	53.76
Maynard	40.96
Orsucci, Joseph	8.96
Peirce, William Jr.	154.24
Fisk, Mary H.	72.96



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
01010

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, ss

TO THE TOWN CLERK OF BRIMFIELD, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield on MONDAY, the SIXTEENTH day of May 1983 at twelve (12) o'clock noon to act on the following:

To give their votes to the election officers on one ballot for the following Town Officers: One Moderator, One Tax Collector, Three Selectmen, One Assessor, One School Committee member, One Board of Public Health member, One Cemetery Commissioner, One Housing Authority, Two Library Trustees, One Tree Warden, Five Constables, One Trustee-Harriet Harding Fund, One Planning Board member, One Trustee-Lincoln Library Fund.

The polls will open at twelve (12) o'clock noon and will close at eight (8) o'clock in the evening. All business of said meeting except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot shall be considered after 7:00 P.M. on Monday, the ninth day of May 1983.

And you are hereby further required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield on Monday the ninth day of May 1983 at seven (7) o'clock in the evening to act on the following:

Article 1. To hear reports of the officers and agents here-to-for chosen by the town and take any other action thereon.

Article 2. To see what salaries the town will allow its officers for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for various departments and activities of the Town, payment of debts, and defraying of expenses of the ensuing twelve months July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984, and direct how the same shall be expended or take any other action thereon.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay unpaid bills or Overdrawn accounts for fiscal 1983 or to take any other action thereon.

Article 5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay unpaid bills and offset Overdrawn accounts for previous fiscal years or take any other action thereon.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer the sum of \$32,000 to purchase a new cab and chassis for the Highway Department or take any other action thereon.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount of money, \$9,000 to purchase a sander for the Highway Department or take any other action thereon.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount of money, \$2,200 to purchase a ram & plow frame to fit the truck proposed in Article 6 or take any other action thereon.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,360 to provide Ambulance Service for fiscal 1984 for the Town of Brimfield, or take any other action thereon. or transi

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for the purpose of continuing actions of the Brimfield Legal Committee for Human Health and Safety regarding the proposed construction of a hazardous waste facility in Warren or take any other action thereon. or transfe

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Compensation Insurance Funds together with a sum of money to be raised by taxation to purchase compensation insurance for the Town employees for the financial year July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 42A of Chapter 48 of the General Laws of Massachusetts providing for a Fire Dept. to be appointed annually by the Selectmen. Said Firemen to be under the direction of a Fire Chief, also appointed annually by the Selectmen, or to take any other action thereon.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$60,000 to purchase and build, or lease a Pumper-Tanker Fire Truck. Funds to be expended by the Selectmen or to take any other action thereon.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money \$4,000 for the



purchase of 3 pressure demand air packs with spare bottles for the use of the Fire Dept. or to take any other action thereon.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum, not to exceed \$1,800 to contract with a private contractor to clean out certain water holes throughout the Town, or to take any other action thereon.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,100 to build and install three five-sided chain link dog runs to be installed on town property at the Town Highway garage, or take any other action thereon.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be expended by the Selectmen for the purchase of materials to be used in the construction of office spaces for the Town Accountant and others and a meeting/hearing room in the Town Hall or take any other action thereon.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Selectmen to print and publish the Town By-Laws as amended through June 1, 1983 or take any other action thereon.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with and in addition to any funds allotted by the commonwealth and or county for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads, or take any other action thereon.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be administered by the Selectmen, to prepare and oil a section of public ways, or to take any other action thereon.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 42 of Chapter 48 of the General Laws of Massachusetts providing for a Fire Chief to be appointed annually by the Selectmen.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for Civil Defense to be administered by the Selectmen for the fiscal period July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984 or take any other action thereon.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$188 for the purpose of Matching Federal Funds used to deliver Home Care Services to the elderly or take any other action thereon.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for the use of the Library, the State Aid for the Fiscal Year 1984 to be paid to the Town by the State for said purpose or take any other action thereon.

Article 25. To see what disposition to Town will make of the Dog fund for the fiscal period July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money to correct the electrical wiring deficiencies in the library.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue, in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1983 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 57.

Article 28. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements of allotments by the State and County for highways, including bridges.

Article 29. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice in some convenient public place of the Town, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town upon Tax Title procedure, provided that Selectmen, or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any other action thereon.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of the 1973 Chevrolet pick-up truck or take any other action thereon.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 4G of Chapter 40 of the General Laws to permit the town to purchase equipment, supplies, and materials having a value of less than \$4,000 without bidding, or take any other action thereon.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money to be added to the Stabilization fund or take any other action thereon.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,600 to replace three doors in the Town Highway garage and fire station or take any other action thereon.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to direct the Selectmen to remove the property of the New England Telephone Company from the Town Common or take any other action thereon.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town By-Laws



by deleting the following from Article II Section 3:

;Three Selectmen for one year each;

and inserting in its place the following:

;Three Selectmen for three years  
each, one to be elected annually.

Article 36. To see if the Town will adopt the following special By-Law for the purpose of implementing Article II Section 3 as amended under the previous warrant article:

At the annual election in 1984 the following officers shall be elected: Selectman for one year, Selectman for two years, and Selectman for three years.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town By-Laws by deleting Article II, Section 6 which is as follows:

At least five (5) days before the day fixed in the Warrant for any Special Town Meeting, the Selectmen shall cause an outline of the Warrant to be mailed to each occupied dwelling house in the Town.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 12B of Chapter 138 of the General Laws of Mass. prohibiting nude entertainment on premises licensed to serve alcoholic beverages.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town By-Laws by deleting the following:

Article II, Section 5  
At least seven days before the day fixed in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, the Selectmen shall cause to be mailed to each occupied dwelling unit containing one or more registered voters in the Town, a copy of the warrant and ninety days after the end of the fiscal year a copy of the Town report shall be made available to each registered voter in the Town.



year a copy of the Town report shall be made available to each registered voter in the Town.

and inserting the following:

**Article II, Section 5**

The Selectmen shall cause to be made available each year during the month of April, a Town Report containing a report of the Town Officers, Committees, and Boards for the previous calendar years, and containing the financial reports for the previous fiscal year.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article VII Section 6 of the Town By-Laws by deleting "for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1981" and inserting "For the calendar year ending December 31, 1983".

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Flea Market Revolving Account to the General Fund for the purpose of lowering the tax rate or take any other action thereon.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town By-Laws by deleting Article VIII, Section 2e, effective January 1, 1984.

Article 43. To see if the Town will authorize the sale from Town hall attic storage, one old chandelier to the Hitchcock Free Academy for the sum of one dollar. The choice of which chandelier to be made by the Academy for use only in the Academy building in Brimfield or to be returned for full refund.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,500 to create and fund the position of a full time executive secretary to be employed at the town hall during the daytime, and to be available on Monday evenings.

Article 45. To see if the Town will accept a sum of money (approx. \$1250) currently on deposit in account #20--002053 at County Bank for Savings, entitled Brimfield Grange Memorial Fund, for the benefit of the Brimfield Public Library, the interest there from to be used for the purchase of books on Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Husbandry, Gardening, Forestry, Conservation, and/or related subjects; books so purchased to be marked "Brimfield Grange #65 Memorial (or Library) Fund" to perpetuate the name of a great civic organization.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the parking ticket clerk revolving fund to the General Fund a sum of money for the purpose of lowering the tax rate or take any other action thereon.

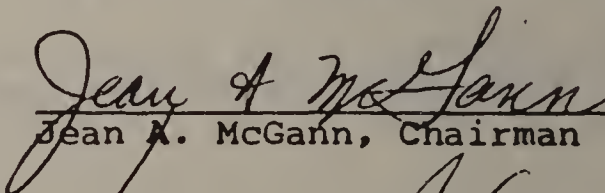
Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for emergency repair of extensive structural damage to the stone foundation bridge where Sutcliff Road spans the brook commonly known as Foskett Mill Stream at its outlet from the dam on Dean Pond. This money to be reimbursed in total from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts administered force funds for emergency bridge assistance or take any other action thereon.

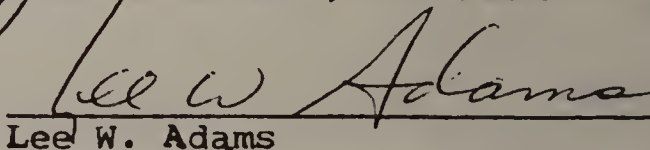
And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in at least five public places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

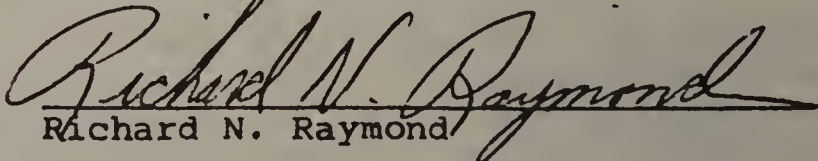
Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the times and place of meeting and election aforesaid.

Given under our hand this TENTH day of APRIL 1983.

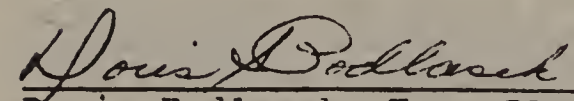
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

  
Jean A. McGann, Chairman

  
Lee W. Adams

  
Richard N. Raymond

A true copy, ATTEST

  
Doris Podlasek, Town Clerk

# 1983 ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MAY 16, 1983

Polls Open 12:00 Noon to 8:00 p.m.

## OFFICE TO BE FILLED

## LIST OF CANDIDATES

Moderator. . . . .	Johnstone Prescott*
Tax Collector. . . . .	Diane McIntosh
Selectmen. . . . .	Jean McGann *
	James B. Powers
	Richard Raymond *
	Robert St. Clair
Assessors. . . . .	James Killian
Elementary School Committee. . . . .	Frances Tetreault *
Board Of Health. . . . .	Elizabeth Smola
	Edward J. Killian *
Cemetery Commission. . . . .	James A. Adams, Sr. *
Housing Authority. . . . .	Clarence Keith *
Library Trustees . . . . .	Nancy Prescott *
	Charlotte Day Hudson
Tree Warden. . . . .	Henry Pelletier *
Constables . . . . .	Charles Modugno
	William Roberts *
	Charles McGann *
	Donald Norton *
	John Stanton *
Trustees - Harriet Harding Fund. . . . .	
Planning Board . . . . .	Susan Sutherland *
Trustees - Lincoln Library Fund. . . . .	Marcia Starkey

\* denotes incumbent



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## INFORMATION FOR BRIMFIELD RESIDENTS

### Business Hours of Town Offices

#### and Committees

Town Clerk	Mondays 7:30 to 9:00 at Town Hall Hours by Appointment at the Town Clerk's home
Town Treasurer	Monday evening at the Town Hall 7:00-8:00
Town Accountant	Monday evening at the Town Hall
Collector of Taxes	Monday evening 7:00 to 9:00 at the Town Hall
Board of Assessors	First and third Monday Evening 7:00-9:00 at the Town Hall
Police Department	Monday evening 7:00-9:00 at the Town Hall
Board of Selectmen	Monday evening 7:30 at the Town Hall
Conservation Commission	First Tuesday of the month at the Town Hall
Planning Board	First Wednesday of the month at 7:30 at the Town Hall
Building Inspector	Monday evening 7:00 at the Town Hall
Library Trustees	First Monday of the month at 7:30 at the Library
Board of Health	First Thursday of the month at 8:00 at the Town Hall
Council on Aging	First Tuesday of the month at 7:30 at the Hitchcock Academy except July & August
Elementary School Committee	Fourth Tuesday of the month at the Brimfield Elementary School
Tantasqua Regional School Committee	Third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 at the Library of Tantasqua Junior High School



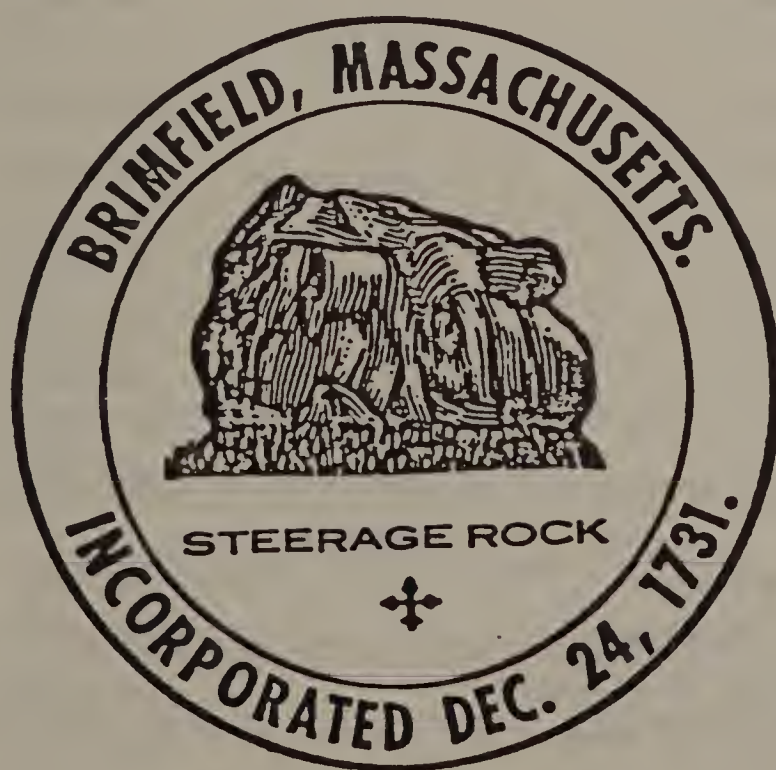


BRIMFIELD  
PUBLIC  
LIBRARY

# ANNUAL REPORT

To The

## TOWN OF BRIMFIELD



Including Receipts & Expenditures  
for the  
Fiscal Period Ending JUNE 30, 1983

## TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

### Emergencies

Ambulance	245-7222
Ambulance (non-emergency)	245-7334
Fire Department	245-7222
Fire Department (non-emergency)	245-7334
Police Department	245-7222
Police Department (non-emergency)	245-3442
State Police (Sturbridge)	283-8711 or 347-3352
Civil Defense	245-7641

### Town Government

Assessors	245-9635
Building Inspector	245-7944
Health, Board of	245-9271 or 245-3363 or 245-7013
Highway Department	245-7223
Housing Authority	245-7503
Library	245-3518
Planning Board	245-9307
Selectmen	245-7253
Tax Collector	283-4786
Town Clerk	245-9694
Tree Warden	245-9830

### Schools

Brimfield Elementary	245-7337
Superintendent of Schools	347-3077 or 347-9014
Tantasqua Regional High School	347-9301
Tantasqua Regional Jr. High	347-7381

TOWN MEETING 2CD MONDAY IN MAY 7:00PM MAY 14, 1983. ANNUAL ELECTION 3RD MONDAY IN MAY, POLLS OPEN 12-8, MAY 21, 1983.

# ANNUAL REPORT

Town of

BRIMFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

1982-1983

## FOREWORD

The residents of Brimfield are encouraged to read, study and question this Annual Report for 1982-1983 reflecting the activities, growth and progress of the Town. They are invited to call upon town officers and departments for any further information desired, or simply to comment on reports. It is also suggested that this report be brought to the Annual Town Meeting.



## GOVERNMENTAL INFORMATION

Brimfield is included in the:

Second Congressional District  
Seventh Councillor District  
Worcester - Franklin - Hampden -  
Hampshire Senatorial District  
First Hampden Representative  
District

U.S. Senators are: Edward T. Kennedy, Boston  
Paul E. Tsongas, Lowell

Congressman, 2nd District is:  
Edward P. Boland, Springfield

State Senator is: Robert D. Wetmore, Barre

Representative to General Court is:  
William Moriarty, Ware

County Commissioners are:  
Leonard J. Collamore  
Thomas J. O'Connor  
Rita M. Tremble

Population	2419
Voters	1369
Republicans	213
Democrats	385
Independents	771

# APPOINTED OFFICERS

Term Expires

## TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Roland E. Chaffee . . . . . 1984

## HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

John L. Sherman . . . . . 1984

## FIRE CHIEF

Michael Wales . . . . . 1984

## POLICE CHIEF

Victor C. Milani . . . . . 1984

## SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT PEST CONTROL

David M. Killian . . . . . 1984

## MEASURER OF WOOD & BARK

Cheney L. Lawrence . . . . . 1984

## FIELD DRIVERS

Gerard Morin . . . . . 1984

Neil Stalker . . . . . 1984

Joe Killian . . . . . 1984

## FENCE VIEWERS

Gerard Morin . . . . . 1984

Neil Stalker . . . . . 1984

Joe Killian . . . . . 1984

## DOG OFFICER

Earl Cote . . . . . 1984

## TOWN COUNSEL

Michael J. Morrill . . . . . 1984

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Pamela Beall . . . . . 1984

Richard Provost . . . . . 1984

August DeMiranda, Resigned

Robert Lee . . . . . 1984

Carol Jensen . . . . . 1986

Jacques Mathieu . . . . . 1986

Richard Siwick . . . . . 1985

Robert Joyce . . . . . 1985

James Adams . . . . . 1985

S. Bradford Powers . . . . . 1986

## BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Juliane L. Spooner, resigned

Jacqueline Modugno . . . . . 1984

Grace Stuart . . . . . 1986

Patricia Lawrence . . . . . 1985

APPOINTED OFFICERS  
(continued)

Term Expires

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Lester Dutka. . . . .	1984
George Gross, Chairman. . . . .	1986
Richard Demetrius . . . . .	1985

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Michael Koprowski . . . . .	1984
Perry Weston. . . . .	1985

BUILDING INSPECTOR

James Mullane . . . . .	1984
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ZONING OFFICER

James Mullane . . . . .	1984
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CIVIL DEFENSE

Robert Coto, Director . . . . .	1984
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INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Nickolas DiGregorio . . . . .	1986
James Mullane . . . . .	1985
Robert Coto . . . . .	1984
David Hall. . . . .	1988
Paul Aloia. . . . .	1987

TRI-TOWN RECREATION COMMITTEE

Bob and Karen Bergestrom, Chairman. . . . .	1984
Pam and Don Moriarty. . . . .	1984
Sandy and Geoff Earls . . . . .	1984
Ken and Lynn Lacey. . . . .	1984
Ray Ciesluk . . . . .	1984
Ron and Elaine Hevey. . . . .	1984
Ron and Diane Heagney . . . . .	1984
Tom and Jane Clay . . . . .	1984

CONVERSATION COMMISSION

Cindy Powers, Chairman. . . . .	1984
Helen Sweeney . . . . .	1984
Gerard Morin. . . . .	1984
Carol Porter. . . . .	1986
Henry Pelletier . . . . .	1986
William Pratt . . . . .	1985
Herman Haven. . . . .	1985
Marcia Starkey, Assoc. Member . . . . .	1985

BUILDING INSPECTOR BOARD OF APPEALS

Richard May . . . . .	1984
John Hilker . . . . .	1984
Walter Koslowski. . . . .	1984



# TOWN OFFICERS - 1983

Term Expires

## TOWN CLERK

Doris S. Podlasek . . . . . 1985

## MODERATOR

Johnstone Prescott. . . . . 1984

## TREASURER

Joan A. Erban . . . . . 1985

## TAX COLLECTOR

Diane McIntosh. . . . . 1985

## SELECTMEN

Richard N. Raymond, Chairman. . . . . 1984

Jean A. McGann. . . . . 1984

Robert H. St.Clair. . . . . 1984

Barbara MacDowell, Secretary

## ASSESSORS

Richard Starkey, Chairman . . . . . 1985

Thomas Keough . . . . . 1984

James E. Killian. . . . . 1986

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Harry A. Peters, Jr., Chairman. . . . . 1984

Carter Cooley . . . . . 1985

Frances Tetreault . . . . . 1986

## TANTASQUA REG. DIST. SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Lee W. Adams. . . . . 1984

Michael P. Koprowski. . . . . 1984

## BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Clayton L. Thomas, M.D., Chairman . . . . . 1985

Edward J. Killian . . . . . 1986

Richard D. May. . . . . 1984

## CEMETERY COMMISSION

James A. Adams, Sr. . . . . 1986

Llewellyn B. Norton . . . . . 1985

Henry Pelletier . . . . . 1984

Michael Phifer, Cemetery Superintendent

## HOUSING AUTHORITY

Alice M. Adams (State Appointee). . . . . 1986

Grace G. Stuart, Chairman . . . . . 1984

Clarence Keith. . . . . 1986

Llewellyn B. Norton . . . . . 1985

Helene Yeames . . . . . 1986

Term Expires

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

John O. Curtis . . . . .	1984
Joseph DiFabio . . . . .	1985
Charlotte Day Hudson . . . . .	1986
Nancy Prescott . . . . .	1986
Sally Siewick . . . . .	1984
Phyllis Stearns . . . . .	1985

TREE WARDEN

Henry Pelletier . . . . .	1984
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CONSTABLES<sub>1</sub>

Charles McGann . . . . .	1988
Donald B. Norton . . . . .	1988
William F. Roberts . . . . .	1988
John H. Stanton . . . . .	1988
Charles A. Modugno . . . . .	1988

TRUSTEES - HARRIET HARDING FUND

Pamela Beall . . . . .	1986
Edward J. Killian . . . . .	1985
Donald G. Moriarty . . . . .	1984

PLANNING BOARD

E. Clarke Brown . . . . .	1985
Dennis A. McCurdy . . . . .	1986
David Killian . . . . .	1987
Edward J. Killian . . . . .	1984
Susan E. Sutherland . . . . .	1988

TRUSTEES - LINCOLN LIBRARY FUND

Lucius M. Cook . . . . .	1984
Llewellyn B. Norton . . . . .	1985
Marcia D. Starkey . . . . .	1986

APPOINTED OFFICERS  
(continued)

TERM EXPIRES

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

Johnstone Prescott. . . . .	1984
Edward Clark. . . . .	1984
Francis Langevin. . . . .	1984
Robert Joyce. . . . .	1984
Dennis McCurdy. . . . .	1984
Ted Skowyr. . . . .	1984
Bernard Samek. . . . .	1984
James Adams, Jr.. . . . .	1984

BY-LAW COMMITTEE

George B. Adams (Selectmen's Appointee) . . . . .	1984
James M. French (Moderator's Appointee) . . . . .	1984

PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Roger Vincent, Southbridge(Appointed by the Board of Health .	1984
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GAS INSPECTOR

Roger Vincent . . . . .	1984
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ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

Sumner Barr . . . . .	1984
Charles Mack, Assistant . . . . .	1984

TOWN HALL CUSTODIAN

Walter Koslowski. . . . .	1984
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CARETAKER AT COMMON

Johnstone Prescott. . . . .	1984
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HISTORICAL/ARTS COMMISSION

Crawford Lincoln. . . . .	1984
Elaine Hayes. . . . .	1986
Helene Lindblad . . . . .	1985
John Curtis . . . . .	1985

AGENT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Lyman Stanton . . . . .	1984
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ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Lyman Stanton . . . . .	1984
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COUNCIL ON AGING

Elmer Deering . . . . .	1985
Harriet Freeman . . . . .	1985
Florence Gendreau . . . . .	1985
Doris Kryzminski. . . . .	1985
Helene Yeames . . . . .	1985
Dolly Moore . . . . .	1984
Frank McLeish, Chairman . . . . .	1984
Vernon Heipler. . . . .	1984
Pearl McLeish . . . . .	1984
Grace Stuart. . . . .	1984
Lucy Hanna. . . . .	1984
Frank Sweeney . . . . .	1984



APPOINTED OFFICERS  
(continued)

TERM EXPIRES

COUNCIL ON AGING ADVISORY MEMBERS

Marge Bergstrom . . . . .	1984
Elaine Hayes. . . . .	1984
Vera Silvius. . . . .	1984

BRIMFIELD LEGAL COMMITTEE FOR HUMAN HEALTH AND SAFETY

Richard Raymond (Selectmen's Appointee) . . . . .	1984
Carol Jensen (Finance Committee's Appointee). . . . .	1984
Richard Siewick (Finance Committee's Appointee) . . . . .	1984
Clayton Thomas (Board of Health's Appointee). . . . .	1984
Helen Sweeney (Conservation Commission's Appointee) . . . . .	1984
George Gross (Stop IT of Brimfield's Appointee) . . . . .	1984
John Curtis (Stop IT of Brimfield's Appointee). . . . .	1984

## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

### Licenses issued for the Division of Fisheries and Game

60	Resident Fishing
20	Resident Hunting
38	Resident Sporting
8	Resident Minor Fishing
7	Non-Resident Citizen/Alien Fishing
42	Resident Sporting (Free)
4	Resident Sporting (age 65 - 69)
25	Archery Stamps
2	Waterfowl Stamps

### DOGS LICENSED

15 Males @ \$4.00	\$ 60.00
32 Males @ \$10.00	320.00
44 Females @ \$4.00	176.00
5 Female @ \$10.00	<u>50.00</u>
	\$606.00

### Less Clerks Fees

96 @ 75¢	<u>72.00</u>
Paid to Treasurer	\$534.00

### BRIEF ABSTRACT OF DOG LAWS:

The owner or keeper of any dog three months old or over must have said dog licensed. Licenses are due and payable on or before March 31st of each year. Whoever violates the provisions of the dog laws shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$15.00.

Every dog, six months or older, must be inoculated with rabies vaccine, every three years.

# BIRTHS RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PARENTS</u>
1982		
July		
2	Katie DeCiantis Resseguie	Gary C. and Karen F. Resseguie
14	Cara Lee Wales	Paul C. and Mary J. Wales
16	Jeremiah Daniel Casavant	Albert H. and Holly S. Casavant
August		
11	Katherine Pearl Mac-A-Cheek Piatt-Eckert	Philip J. Eckert and Margaret M. Piatt
September		
26	Daniel John Niejadlik	Paul T. and Eileen M. Niejadlik
October		
3	Dylan Thomas Joyce	Robert P. and Michele A. Joyce
November		
2	Brian David McGurk	David J. and Priscilla A. McGurk
3	Jacob Thomas Johnson	Ralph E. and Audrey J. Johnson
December		
14	Catherine Marie Wells	Daniel H. and Mary E. Wells, III
20	Christopher John Legacy	Charles J. and Maura A. Legacy
January 1983		
10	Amanda Beth Denning	Mark and Shirley Denning
11	Ervin Paul Fisher, Jr.	Ervin P. and Carol A. Fisher
February		
3	Amos Josiah Smith	Russell B. and Joan A. Smith
12	Andre Francois DuBois	Robert A. and Suzanne R. DuBois
18	Julie Mary Haney	Joseph L. and Lynne M. Haney



# BIRTHS RECORDED

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PARENTS</u>
February		
20	Launa Lee Graika	Michael A. and Laurie A. Graika
March		
4	Bethany Candace Rogers	Kenneth B. and Marilyn C. Rogers
22	Jeremiah James Brewer	Robert A. and Sandra J. Brewer
May		
3	Lori Elizabeth Jones	Richard N. and Patricia S. Jones
13	Michael John Page	Edward F. and Marta Maria A. Page
June		
11	Stacy Nicole Spencer	Edward H. and Barbara A. Spencer
21	Cody James Langlitz	John C. and Kathleen M. Langlitz

# DEATHS RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
1982		
July		
8	Gladys Ethel Whitten	90
11	John Michael Haley	73
August		
1	Milton Jepson Wood	79
13	Elna Amy Har5is	93
September		
10	Cheryl Ann Reed	27
10	Myron Elmore Naylor	64
28	Dorothy M. Shaculumis	61
October		
10	Walter Fremont Calkins	85
25 1	Mary Felicite DuFresne	95
22	Elizabeth V. Tenczar	81
December		
17	Eva Mary Messier	92

# DEATHS RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
1983		
January		
12	Orvill Laurence Dubuque	72
17	Beatrice Elizabeth MacConnell	78
20	Isoline D. Paine	84
24	Norry Lenvial Demetrius	84
24	William Joseph Cruess	80
26	George Frederic Boyce	78
8	Iris Leelah Henry	66
February		
8	Ruth Drennan	96
March		
3	Albert Ouellette	71
29	David Michael Norton	21
April		
25	William Henry Hartman	58
May		
1	Aldo Lewis Cornoni	72
13	Fenton Albert Hastings	62
14	Helen Marie Moran	58
15	Jennie Marie Bressette	50

# MARRIAGES RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>GROOM AND RESIDENCE</u>	<u>BRIDE AND RESIDENCE</u>
1982		
July		
3	Herbert J. Perry Holland, Ma.	Anna Marie Howlett Holland, Ma.
August		
28	David J. Charron Brimfield, Ma.	Elizabeth Ann Denning No. Grafton, Ma.
September		
5	Berk Meitzler Brimfield, Ma.	Sarah E. Wells Brookfield, Ma.
4	David L. Davis Brimfield, Ma.	Linda S. Loosemore Brimfield, Ma.
October		
2	Howard S. Lincoln Portland, Maine	Vanda Tacy Homer Portland, Maine

MARRIAGES RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>GROOM AND RESIDENCE</u>	<u>BRIDE AND RESIDENCE</u>
1982		
October		
9	Michael H. MacFadden Charlton, Ma.	Donna Adams Charlton, Ma.
2	James Francis Gillooly Ponca City, Ok.	Anne Marie Dutka Ponca City, Ok.
November		
20	Francis D. Flebotte Brimfield, Ma.	Marilyn J. Wise Brimfield, Ma.
1983		
January		
21	Kenneth Allen Corbett Monson, Ma.	Marcella Stokosa Brimfield, Ma.
February		
27	Mark L. Conners Brimfield, Ma.	Karen A. Woloschuk Cambridge, Ma.
June		
4	Steven L. Thomas Burlington, Vt.	Jodie E. Kittredge Brimfield, Ma.
May		
21	Alan M. Marchand Three Rivers, Ma.	Jackie A. Norton Brimfield, Ma.
21	Thomas G. Hamerlinck Seattle, Wa.	Heather W. Barr Seattle, Wa.
27	Roger J. Williams Brimfield, Ma.	Ann L. Blake Wales, Ma.



## JURY LIST

Barrett, William J.  
\*Beaudry, Gilbert A.  
Benoit, Margaret K.  
\*Brown, E. Clarke  
\*Bruegger, Mary Ann  
\*Bys, Anthony J.  
\*Calvert, F. Douglas  
Cox, William B.  
\*Dipietro, William J., Jr.  
\*Drake, Alice C.  
Fiset, Robert P.  
Frye, Shirley E.  
\*Haddock, Lorraine A.  
Harvey, Alice M.  
Hones, Patricia S.  
LaRochelle, Sylvia S.  
Lindblad, Helene J.  
\*Martin, Alice H.  
May, Laura P.  
\*Metcalf, Robert H.  
Mendale, Gerrilyn  
Menyhart, Annemarie  
\*Monette, Ruth S.  
\*Moriarty, Donald G.  
O'Donnell, Judie L.  
\*Powers, James B.  
\*Stearns, Willis R.  
Tetreault, George A., III  
\*Twining, Judith A.  
Warren, Glenna L.

\* Drawn



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
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This year there have been a great number of issues dealt with under the responsibilities of the Selectmen's office of which we would like to make you aware. The primary goal of this report is to give the citizens of Brimfield a recap of the town's budgetary activities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1982 and ending on June 30, 1983.

The present Board of Selectmen meets every Monday night at the Town Hall at 7:30 p.m., excepting holidays or unexpected occurrences. The Selectmen are happy to meet with the public in regard to any concern or grievance after 8:00 p.m. or following any scheduled hearing or meeting. For your convenience, we request that an appointment be made in advance through the Selectmen's secretary or any member of the Board, so that your name can be placed on the evening's agenda.

Appointments have been completed for the 1983-1984 year. Our sincere thanks goes to all who have completed a term in public service to Brimfield, as well as to those who have agreed to fill a position for the coming term of office. Even though a position of interest to you may currently be filled, we would encourage you to make us or the chairman of the respective board aware of any interest you have in serving the Town of Brimfield. The quality of a small town's government is based on its citizens' willingness to serve.

This year we have accepted the bid and proposal for a comprehensive insurance program from Mr. Henry Hanmer, who represents Field, Eddy, and Bulkley of Springfield, MA. This<sup>is</sup> now combined and constantly monitored by one agency that specializes in town and municipal coverage. We now have a whole new range of insurance coverages tailored to our various needs, as well as a million dollar blanket liability policy. In addition, the new coverage is interdepartmentally co-ordinated and far more comprehensive than our previous coverage. Best of all, the complete package, including workman's compensation, employee bonding, and additional areas of coverage, is ours at a saving of more than \$6,000. over the previous year.

Emergency repairs to the bridge on Sutcliffe Road over Fosket Mill Stream have been completed, following the discovery that the bridge foundation had been vandalized. The work was done under a bid by stone mason, Raymond Bressette, of Brimfield. The outstanding job that was done so promptly by Mr. Bressette, has been paid for and is being fully reimbursed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Emergency Force Funds.

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REPORT (cont.)

The Police Department Office in the rear basement of the Town Hall, completed entirely by volunteer labor and much donated materials, was dedicated at a gala Open House this past year. Chief Milani and his personnel are to be complimented for this effort as well as for the fine performance they exhibited throughout the year. Special mention should be made of the donation of equipment and material made to the project by Mr. Carl Trant and Mr. Richard Siewick, both of Brimfield.

Further renovation of the Town Hall basement into new or expanded offices has begun. The Assessors' Office is being expanded to give additional work room and office space, which should allow them to streamline their services. The unused Town Grange Hall Dining Room is being converted into six separate offices and a meeting room, in order to bring all town records and board meetings back to the Town Hall, both for public convenience and closer co-ordination of all town boards and departments. We hope that construction and furnishing of the spaces will be completed during the next year, as money and labor become available. We would like to express our gratitude to Mr. Richard Siewick for his generous donation of three complete lock sets to keep entry into rooms off the main vestibule restricted during the day when the main door is open to service the Council on Aging Office on the second floor.

Further repairs to the Town Hall have become necessary due to a leak in the roof which has caused damage to the ceiling and walls of the vestibule and causing plaster to fall. In addition to their own regular monitoring of the Town Hall maintenance, the Selectmen have arranged for a professional structural examination of the stability of the bellfry and bell mounting.

The Selectmen have taken several steps and are considering others which should strengthen our fiscal position in the coming years. We have instituted a quarterly meeting of the Selectmen and all members of financial departments. These meetings are an effort to better monitor our constantly changing fiscal status, as well as to encourage a free exchange of information between the various interrelated but separate departments. We are supporting the Tax Collector and the Treasurer in moving with all dispatch towards the collection of back taxes through Legal Notification of Delinquency and through the Taking of Land through the court process. It is clear that prompt payment of taxes does more to insure a strong, viable town government than anything else.

The Selectmen have instructed the Town Accountant to work closely with the State in setting up a town audit. This will assure that Revenue Sharing funds are not cut off from Brimfield. It will also supply us base line figures which have been lacking, making it possible for our town officers to maintain their accounts from year to year. We are also exploring ways to break into the area of acquiring grants and aid from both state and federal sources. We have contracted through the Mass. Municipal Association to become



a part of the V.A.C.S. computerized parking ticket collection program. Since we are new to the system and do not have specific figures for comparison, our Parking Clerk assures that the record keeping is far more comprehensive than we have had, and the unpaid past due tickets are being recovered. Though we are not "out of the woods" financially, we are confident that with the close co-operation of the fiscal departments, the next two years will see us enter a period of economic stability and even forward motion.

In order to increase communication and accountability, one Selectmen has been designated to be the specific liason between the Board of Selectmen and the various other boards and officers. In addition, the Selectmen are planning to meet with each department or group at least once a year, or more often as needed. We have already met with the Planning Board to discuss the presentation and acceptance by the Town of an accurate town map upon which to base Planning and Zoning decisions. We are soon to meet with the various Inspectors and Agents to discuss methods of dissemination Building Code information to newcomers and those undertaking construction projects. We will also discuss methods of enforcing those Codes.

The Board of Selectmen has recently met with our Town Counsel to determine our legal status in court actions pending. We would like to have all action concluded by the end of the fiscal year, if possible. Specifically, we have instructed Counselor Morrill to bring the issue of the Re-evaluation Appraisers' default to a speedy trial in order to recover Town funds.

Another area, long neglected, that has been addressed this year is regular communication and active cooperation with our sister towns of Holland and Wales. We are meeting monthly as the "Tri-Town Selectmen's Association" to discuss topics of mutual interest. We have entered into discussion with Holland on building a joint dog pound. We are working with both Holland and Wales to explore applying to the state/county sponsored "circuit rider" administrator program. Under this system we would be able to work on town projects that require nine-to-five coverage, to be current in grant availability, while sharing the costs with the other towns. The information exchanged with the Selectmen from the other towns has already proved to be of mutual help.

The Selectmen are trying to set up two other groups to act as advisors to the Board: The Water Study panel and the Flea Market Advisory Board. The need for a Water Study Panel has become obvious. Brimfield public buildings are serviced by water coming from the Town Spring, a shallow well and a deep dug well. Over the past several years all three sources have been cited as being either polluted or as having high salt content. With such an abundance of water in our town, it seems there is no good reason why we or our children should have to drink marginally acceptable water while in public places. Our Board has been working with the State Department of Environmental Quality Engineering and has cleaned up the spring site for the first time in some years,

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REPORT (cont.)

but it is not enough. We feel we must look to the future and have an interested and knowledgeable body of people to act as watchdogs and advisors to the Selectmen and the Board of Health. The panel will consist of one member each of the Board of Health, Finance Committee, Conservation Commission and two members chosen at large from the Town by the Board of Selectmen.

The need for a Flea Market Advisory Board has risen due to the phenomenal growth the Flea Markets in town have experienced in the last several years. A large amount of unproductive time has been spent in an attempt to deal with the markets. It is hoped that a Board consisting of all market operators and a member of the Police Department will open a controlled pipeline to communication to the Selectmen. This Board believes that the markets are here to stay, and must be dealt with and regulated in a fair, responsible, and open manner to the ultimate benefit of the entire town.

Two other areas of concern to this Board are the maintenance of private roads, and the logging of forests within Brimfield, especially as it affects our roads and water sheds. The number of calls for assistance in maintaining private ways has increased as has the number of requests for outright take over by the Town of private roads. The Town, at Annual Town Meetings, has expressed no interest in assuming those responsibilities. As tax payers, however, citizens do expect some assistance in maintaining a minimal surface to insure their overall safety. To that end, this Board has taken the approach that it will provide the equipment and has allowed our own qualified operators to run the equipment after work hours. Funds for the most part have come from private sources.

At the present time we are considering implementing a set of logging regulations to govern the activities of professional loggers as it affects our town roads and streams. We have directed our Town Tree Warden to enforce existing regulations in regard to commercial logging and to determine any violation of boundaries of town held properties.

Working with the Town Highway Department and the Finance Board, the Selectmen are instituting a work time sheet and maintenance cost schedule for our town equipment. This is in line with the recommendation of the Finance Board to break the highway department budget into separate line items. The Highway Department has responded to several requests by residents by erecting three pairs of "Slow--Children" signs on town roads. John Sherman and his crew are to be commended for their prompt attention to a variety of tasks delegated to them by the Selectmen, as well as for the normal road and equipment maintenance.

Recently the Selectmen have required fewer permits to carry on commercial activities in Town. This has created two negative situations: the loss of revenue to be applied to our free cash, and the lack of effective knowledge of the businesses being carried on in town. We are in the process of studying the types of licenses allowed by the Commonwealth in Towns, and the appropriate fees. We ask that all persons opening a business, expanding a business, or holding a tag sale or flea market, contact this office for the



## BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REPORT (cont.)

appropriate permit. Any plans to erect new buildings, whether commercial or residential, add signs, whether temporary or permanent, should check first with James Mullane, the Building Inspector and Zoning Officer. We appreciate Mr. Mullane's conscientious effort to enforce the state and town building and zoning laws fairly and firmly. The electrical and plumbing inspectors listed in this report would also remind you that home do-it-yourself repairs and construction must be checked out by their respective offices, as those activities are regulated by state statutes.

An application for a Wine and Malt Beverage License was made by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Burnham for their business, Country Side Drive-In. The application was turned down by the Selectmen after the appropriate hearing. The decision was appealed through the state Alcoholic Beverage Commission. The Board of Selectmen agreed to another hearing with the understanding that certain specific restrictions could be written into the license. After a second hearing and agreement to limits and conditions the license was issued.

The Common Victualer Innholder Liquor License issued to Sandra Conway (dba/Village Squire) was voluntarily surrendered. An application for a new license of the same type for the same location (now owned by Luc-Bru Inc.) was received, granted a hearing, accepted and forwarded to the appropriate state agency for approval, before the license was granted.

The Board of Selectmen has continued to work closely with the Brimfield Legal Committee for Human Health and Safety in regard to the issue of I.T. Corporation planning to locate a hazardous waste treatment plant on the Warren-Brimfield line. We have reviewed the scoping document submitted by the Warren Local Assessment Committee, and sent a representative to hearings in Warren to address the issue. Similarly, a member of the board has attended hearings in Warren for changes to the Siting Law and has appeared in court in Worcester for the hearings of our suit against the Site Safety Council, Warren L.A.C. et al. Our Board was also represented at two informal meetings, requested by the Commissioner of the D.E.Q.E., to discuss Brimfield's position. This board is deeply distressed about the new discussion of opening a public access to the Mass. Turnpike on Route 19, relative to the I.T. project. We have expressed our concern at the possibility and will continue to do so.

We sincerely thank all citizens who have given of their time and talents to town activities. It is through those efforts in working with town government, the town's fine Recreation Program, the Police and Fire Departments, the Maintenance of the Town Common, the Fairs and Memorial Day Activities, just to name a few, that make Brimfield such a fine town in which to reside.

Richard N. Raymond, Chairman  
Jean A. McGann  
Robert H. St.Clair



## UNSUBMITTED REPORTS

The following Boards, Departments and Officers did not submit a report for the Fiscal 1982-1983 Annual Town Report for the Town of Brimfield:

Insect Pest Control Superintendent

Memorial Day Committee

Town Counsel

Town Hall Custodian

## REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board approved all subdivision survey plans properly submitted during the year.

The Board meets regularly on the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall. All interested townspeople are invited to attend. The Chairman is Susan Sutherland, and the Secretary is Dennis A. McCurdy.

For approval of subdivision plans not requiring the action of the entire board (adequate frontage on a town road and adequate acreage), contact the Secretary at his office 9:00a.m. through 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, call 347-9343 for an appointment between meetings. All other plans should be presented to the entire board at a regularly scheduled meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Sutherland, Chairman  
Dennis A. McCurdy, Secretary  
Edward Killian  
David Killian  
E. Clarke Brown



TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF  
TREASURER

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1982	\$	11,024.98
Paid on Treasury Warrants	\$	5,362,430.58
Cash on Hand, June 30, 1983	\$	332,775.17

FUNDS IN CUSTODY OF TREASURER

Philip Burns Family Funds for Library	\$	1,068.63
Chamberlain Smith Historical Fund		1,197.12
Fitzhenry Warren Library Fund		1,062.80
Harriet M. Harding Fund for Library		5,523.36
Harriet M. Harding Fund for Library		4,999.02
Lincoln Danielson Library Building Fund		5,734.43
Public Library Endowment Fund		2,903.63
U. J. Shaw Fund for Support of Public Library		1,529.90
U. J. Shaw Library Fund		1,124.70
Philip Burns Family Funds for Schools		4,378.31
Harriet Allen School Funds		3,218.38
Title II Funds		62.28
Cemetary Gate Fund		140.61
Pearsall Monument Fence Fund		431.65
Hoyt Animal Cemetary Fund		1,404.25
Cemetary Wall Fund		1,009.56
Cemetary Care Fund - Principal		22,475.77
Interest		37,787.97
Revenue Sharing Funds		73,241.15

# TAX TITLE ACCOUNTS

Name	Year of Taking	Amount of Taking
Ayasse, William & Anna		
new owners: Cowes, Anna and Marilyn	75-76	\$ 7.04
	76-77	7.68
	77-78	9.20
	78-79	8.16
	79-80	9.52
	1981	10.24
	1982	113.58
Bascom, Edward	76-77	167.04
	77-78	200.10
	78-79	177.48
	79-80	207.06
	1981	222.72
	1982	155.72
Basinet, Ralph and Lillian		
new owners: Rutanen, David and Clarice	74-75	409.50
	74-75	11.70
	1979	153.91
	1980	880.60
	1981	302.95
	1982	643.03
Bennett, Paul and Florence	1980	142.80
(1st parcel)	1981	153.60
	1982	12.82
(2nd parcel)	1980	135.52
	1981	524.86
	1982	404.87
Bliss, David and Ann		
(Ann Bliss Patsis) (1st parcel)	1980	1692.18
	1981	1820.16
(2nd parcel)	1980	207.06
	1981	222.72
(3rd parcel)	1980	52.36
	1981	56.32
Brenton, Robert	75-76	21.12
	76-77	23.04
	77-78	27.60
	78-79	24.48
	79-80	28.56
	1981	30.72
	1982	7.33



Name	Year of Taking	Amount of Taking
Buccelli, Pasquale	1980	339.15
	1981	364.80
	1982	164.11
Carassello, Richard and Faith	1979	66.30
	1980	Paid
	1981	83.20
Daigle, Lionel and Sarah	76-77	57.60
	77-78	69.00
	78-79	61.20
	79-80	71.40
	1981	76.80
	1982	5.50
DeForge, William and Jane	1980	58.90
	1981	793.60
(1st parcel)	1982	5.50
(2nd parcel)	1982	533.11
DeGregorio, Nicholas and Irene	76-77	2107.49
	77-78	2026.30
	78-79	1338.24
	79-80	1561.28
	80-81	1679.36
	81-82	2081.15
Demers, Jean Paul and Carol	1980	103.83
	1981	1100.80
	1982	818.90
Deyo, Robert and Doris new owners: Giroux, Raymond and Patricia	76-77	250.56
	77-78	Paid
	78-79	211.46
	79-80	621.18
	1981	92.16
Douglas, David H., Jr. and Emma	1979	45.90
	1980	53.55
	1981	57.60
	1982	5.50
Elliott, Lenwood B., Jr. and Rosemarie	1980	64.26
Emond, Roger and Rolande	74-75	18.24 (1st ½ year)
	74-75	37.44
	75-76	42.24
	76-77	Paid
	78-79	48.46
	1981	6.44
	1982	42.14

## TAX TITLE ACCOUNTS

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Name	Year of Taking	Amount of Taking
Gagnon, Theodore A., Jr. new owners: Goodhard, John and Sharon	1979	25.50
	1980	Paid
	1981	579.13
Gamache, Rosalie	74-75	140.40
	75-76	158.40
	76-77	172.80
	77-78	207.00
	78-79	183.60
	79-80	214.20
	1981	230.40
	1982	12.82
General, Ronald and Lorraine new owners: Laurion, Arthur and Eileen	76-77	3.84
	77-78	4.60
	78-79	4.08
	79-80	4.76
	1980	5.12
	1981	27.48
Grenier, Kevin	76-77	187.20
	77-78	224.25
	78-79	198.90
-Paid on account \$ 486.83	79-80	232.05
2/6/82	80-81	249.60
.	1982	157.55
Healey, Frank and Mary L.	1980	35.70
	1981	38.40
	1982	18.32
Hicks, Richard and Shirley (1st parcel)	1974	269.32
	74-75	475.80
	75-76	536.80
	76-77	585.60
	77-78	701.50
	78-79	662.20
	79-80	725.96
(2nd parcel)	1974	342.74
	74-75	608.40
	75-76	686.40
	76-77	748.80
	77-78	897.00
	78-79	795.60
	79-80	928.28
Howlett, Joan K.	1980	148.75
	1981	160.00
	1982	256.48

Name	Year of Taking	Amount of Taking
Langlitz, John C. Jr.	1980	517.15
	1982	712.65
LaRose, Arthur and Marion	1978	655.50
	1979	581.40
	1980	440.30
	1981	729.60
	1982	306.82
Lavallee, Richard	75-76	26.40
	76-77	57.60
	77-78	69.00
	78-79	61.20
	79-80	71.40
	80-81	76.80
	81-82	5.50
MacDowell, David W. and Shirley A. (1st parcel)	1980	1422.05
	1981	1529.60
	1982	1799.02
(2nd parcel)	1980	224.91
	1981	241.92
	1982	538.61
(3rd parcel)	1980	38.67
Morace, Anselmo	1974	85.88
Moreau, Eugene and Jennette	1980	295.12
new owners: Goddard, William and Dorothy	1982	322.43
(1st parcel)		
(2nd parcel: Goddard, William and Dorothy)	1972	145.20
	1973	393.45
	1974	184.30
	74-75	189.15
		189.15
	75-76	426.80
Ozut, John and Rose	1978	23.00
	1979	20.40
	1980	23.80
	1981	25.60
	1982	163.05
Ogozalik, Albin and Joan	1979	367.20
new owners: Goodspeed, Walter and Pearl	1980	856.80
(1st parcel)	1981	153.60
	1982	410.37
(2nd parcel)	1979	15.30
	1980	35.70
	1981	38.40
	1982	95.26
Pelland, Vivian and Carol Patrie	1980	52.55



## TAX TITLE ACCOUNTS

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Name	Year of Taking	Amount of Taking
Pratt, Roger and Cheryl	76-77	355.20
	77-78	425.50
	78-79	377.40
	79-80	440.30
	1981	473.60
	1982	331.59
Roberts, Louis F.	1981	57.60
	1982	76.94
Simonds, Russell and Margaret	76-77	262.15
	77-78	575.00
	78-79	510.00
	79-80	595.00
	1981	640.00
Soteropoulos, Harry	1979	73.44
	1980	85.68
	1981	92.16
	1982	47.63
Stavropoulos, Constantine	1979	22.95
Stavropoulos, Gus	1979	22.95
Ullery, Richard	74-75	18.72
	75-76	10.76
	76-77	23.04
	78-79	24.48
	79-80	28.56
	1981	30.72
	1982	7.33
Wicks, Gerard and Sonya	1974	74.10
	1975	152.10
	1976	272.60
Wolfhard	1978	655.50
new owners: Jeffrey, Harold and	1979	581.40
Hazel	1980	678.30
	1981	729.61
	1982	304.11
Wozny, Joseph and Dorothy	1981	57.60
	1982	5.50

Name	Year of Taking	Amount of Taking
Fountain, Royal	1974	177.84
	74-75	365.04
	75-76	411.84
	78-79	477.36
	79-80	556.92
	1981	559.04
	1982	500.14
Harlow Royal Realty (1st parcel)	1975	554.40
	76-77	748.80
	77-78	897.00
	78-79	795.60
	79-80	528.20
	1981	998.40
	1982	754.78
(2nd parcel)	75-76	44.00
	76-77	48.00
	77-78	57.50
	78-79	51.00
	79-80	59.50
	1981	64.00
	1982	89.77
Hull, William	1974	102.60
Jackson, Joseph and Geneva (1st parcel)	75-76	52.80
	76-77	57.60
	77-78	69.00
	78-79	61.20
	79-80	71.40
	80-81	76.80
(2nd parcel)	75-76	448.80
	76-77	489.60
	77-78	526.50
	78-79	520.20
	79-80	606.90
	1981	652.81
	1982	198.54

All Tax Title Accounts listed by the Treasurer are in the hands of Attorney Thomas Gorski, Jr.  
105 North Main Street  
Webster, Massachusetts 01570  
1-617-943-5100

Any person that has property in Tax Title and is interested in paying back taxes should contact the Treasurer or Attorney Gorski, Jr. at address listed above.

Amounts reflect back taxes only and not charges, fees and interest.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Erban, Treasurer

Salary: \$1,950.00





## TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF  
TOWN ACCOUNTANT

### BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 1983

Cash - General Fund	190,329.13	
Revenue Sharing Fund	<u>57,070.32</u>	247,399.45
Real Estate Taxes Receivable		
Levy of 1979	(747.56)	
1980	(3,263.80)	
1981	4,014.24	
1982	(32,660.04)	
1983	<u>269,296.46</u>	236,639.30
Personal Property Taxes Receivable		
Levy of 1976	23.76	
1978	457.70	
1979	673.71	
1980	1,816.51	
1981	3,337.67	
1982	26,034.11	
1983	<u>43,179.46</u>	75,522.92
Reserved for Abatements		
Levy of 1981	1,300.48	
1982	(650.10)	
1983	<u>(34,979.09)</u>	(34,328.71)
Motor Vehicle Excise Receivable		
Levy of 1976	144.26	
1977	732.99	
1978	6,551.24	
1979	4,751.26	
1980	2,109.52	
1981	3,226.59	
1982	4,677.01	
1983	<u>28,230.37</u>	50,423.24

# Farm Animal Excise Receivable

Levy of 1976	102.00	
1977	153.20	
1978	163.60	
1979	482.00	
1980	252.00	
1981	200.50	
1982	<u>42.73</u>	1,396.03
Tax Title Receivable		
Tax Liens	80,277.36	
Tax Possessions	<u>6,175.22</u>	86,452.58
Departmental Receivables		
Dog Officer	1,032.00	
Veteran Officer	<u>2,798.00</u>	3,830.00
Due from Other Sources		
Trust Funds	2,975.88	
Revenue Sharing	<u>32,108.11</u>	35,083.99
Overdrawn or Unprovided for		
Accounts	<u>70,365.83</u>	70,365.83
Net Funded Debt		
School Bond Issue	<u>245,000.00</u>	<u>245,000.00</u>
Total Assets		1,017,784.63
Outstanding Bonds & Notes Payable		
Anticipation Notes	350,000.00	
School Bonds	<u>245,000.00</u>	595,000.00
Reserved Uncollected Revenue		
Motor Vehicle Excise	50,423.24	
Farm Animal Excise	1,396.03	
Tax Title	86,452.58	
Departmental	<u>3,830.00</u>	142,101.85
Due to General Fund		
From Revenue Sharing	<u>32,108.11</u>	32,108.11
Due to Others		
To County - Dog Licenses	<u>(139.30)</u>	(139.30)
Payroll Withholdings		
Insurance	4,802.55	
Retirement	2,423.31	
State Tax	<u>371.12</u>	7,596.98

Tax Collector Fees	398.02	
Flea Market	20,263.87	
Parking Ticket	1,759.00	
Building Inspector	765.00	
Electrical Inspector	5.00	
School Lunch	<u>4,823.16</u>	28,014.05
State & Federal Grants		
School - Energy	685.00	
School - Title IV B	873.55	
School - ECIA Block	142.75	
Council on Aging - Elderly	<u>485.10</u>	2,186.40
Reserved Until Appropriated		
Revenue Sharing	24,962.21	
Workmen's Compensation	3,936.46	
State Aid to Libraries	2,500.00	
Overlay Surplus	79.36	
Surplus Revenue	158,533.68	
Underestimated Assessments	810.89	
Encumbered Payables	<u>20,093.94</u>	<u>210,916.54</u>
Total Liabilities		1,017,784.63

Respectfully submitted,

Roland E. Chaffee  
Town Accountant

Salary \$2,200.00



FISCAL 83 APPROPRIATIONS  
JULY 1 1982 TO JUNE 30 1983  
DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNT BALANCE

DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATION OR BEGIN BALANCE	TRANSFER & OTHER	TOTAL	EXPENDED	BALANCE
MODERATOR					
SALARY	100. 00		100. 00	100. 00	0. 00
SELECTMEN					
SALARY	1,400. 00		1,400. 00	1,400. 00	0. 00
CLERK	1,100. 00		1,100. 00	1,100. 00	0. 00
EXPENSE	1,700. 00		1,700. 00	1,613. 20	86. 80
ENVIROMENTAL GRANT	2,000. 00		2,000. 00	2,000. 00	0. 00
COMM FOR HUMAN HEALTH	14,000. 00	1,967. 33	15,967. 33	15,666. 37	300. 96
AUDIT	3,000. 00		3,000. 00	2,950. 00	50. 00
TOWN CLERK					
SALARY	2,025. 00		2,025. 00	2,025. 00	0. 00
EXPENSE	1,165. 00	26. 48	1,191. 48	1,180. 54	10. 94
TOWN ACCOUNTANT					
SALARY	2,200. 00		2,200. 00	2,200. 00	0. 00
EXPENSE	250. 00		250. 00	206. 63	43. 37
TAX COLLECTOR					
SALARY	1,950. 00		1,950. 00	1,950. 00	0. 00
EXPENSE	1,850. 00	185. 03	2,035. 03	1,807. 50	227. 53
TAX TAKING	1,000. 00		1,000. 00	0. 00	1,000. 00
TOWN TREASURER					
SALARY	1,950. 00		1,950. 00	1,950. 00	0. 00
EXPENSE	4,430. 00	291. 00	4,721. 00	1,142. 24	3,578. 76
ENCUMBERED	1,000. 00		1,000. 00	430. 98	569. 02
TAX TAKING	3,000. 00		3,000. 00	1,288. 60	1,711. 40
ASSESSORS					
SALARY	1,500. 00		1,500. 00	1,500. 00	0. 00
CLERK	1,950. 00	1,500. 00	3,450. 00	3,263. 75	186. 25
PROPERTY COUNTERS	100. 00		100. 00	0. 00	100. 00
EXPENSE	4,840. 00		4,840. 00	4,190. 84	649. 32
100% REVALUATION	1,553. 36		1,553. 36	599. 40	953. 96
TOWN COUNSEL					
SALARY	400. 00		400. 00	400. 00	0. 00
EXPENSE	1,000. 00		1,000. 00	0. 00	1,000. 00
ELECTION & REGISTRATION					
SALARY	1,601. 00		1,601. 00	1,425. 24	175. 76
EXPENSE	700. 00		700. 00	313. 75	386. 25
TOWN REPORT					
EXPENSE	1,000. 00		1,000. 00	975. 15	24. 85
GROUP INSURANCE	15,000. 00	1,250. 00	16,250. 00	16,222. 34	27. 66

DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATION OR BEGIN BALANCE	TRANSFER & OTHER	TOTAL	EXPENDED	BALANCE
POLICE DEPARTMENT					
SALARY	1,700.00		1,700.00	1,699.50	0.50
EXPENSE	2,250.00		2,250.00	2,249.04	0.96
CONSTABLE					
SALARY	200.00		200.00	200.00	0.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT					
SALARY	1,050.00		1,050.00	1,041.60	8.40
EXPENSE	8,100.00	15.00	8,115.00	8,102.88	12.12
CAPITAL EXPENSE	3,520.00		3,520.00	3,512.36	7.64
DOG OFFICER					
SALARY	100.00		100.00	100.00	0.00
EXPENSE	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,421.95	78.05
BOARD OF HEALTH					
SALARY	870.00		870.00	836.04	33.96
CLERK	250.00	66.66	316.66	299.97	16.69
EXPENSE	1,472.00		1,472.00	985.89	486.11
RUBBISH CONTRACT	32,490.00		32,490.00	32,132.13	357.87
COUNCIL ON AGING					
EXPENSE	1,000.00		1,000.00	980.73	19.27
ELDERBUS	200.00		200.00	40.51	159.49
HOME CARE SERVICE	290.00		290.00	0.00	290.00
LIBRARY					
SALARY	4,108.00	95.65	4,203.65	4,196.06	7.59
EXPENSE	6,956.00	548.53	7,504.53	7,028.90	475.63
RECREATION COMMITTEE					
SALARY	300.00		300.00	300.00	0.00
EXPENSE	200.00	156.05	356.05	356.05	0.00
MEMORIAL DAY					
EXPENSE	450.00		450.00	429.42	20.58
VETERAN OFFICE					
BENIFITS	8,000.00	1,696.51	9,696.51	9,696.51	0.00
ASSESSMENT	2,312.80		2,312.80	2,312.80	0.00
COUNTY RETIREMENT					
ASSESSMENT	15,474.00		15,474.00	15,426.00	48.00
PLANNING BOARD					
EXPENSE	250.00		250.00	0.00	250.00
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS					
EXPENSE	255.00		255.00	210.00	45.00

DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATION OR BEGIN BALANCE	TRANSFER & OTHER	TOTAL	EXPENDED	BALANCE
ZONING OFFICER EXPENSE	350. 00		350. 00	0. 00	350. 00
BUILDING INSPECTOR EXPENSE	500. 00		500. 00	186. 00	314. 00
CONSERVATION COMMISSION EXPENSE	283. 00		283. 00	240. 60	42. 40
DREDGING STREAMS	2,404. 70		2,404. 70	2,000. 00	404. 70
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT					
SALARY	17,000. 00		17,000. 00	16,964. 30	35. 70
WAGES	28,028. 00		28,028. 00	27,968. 80	59. 20
SNOW WAGES	4,500. 00	2,000. 00	6,500. 00	6,380. 04	119. 96
GENERAL HIGHWAY	20,000. 00		20,000. 00	20,000. 00	0. 00
HIGHWAY MAINT.	10,000. 00		10,000. 00	9,990. 14	9. 86
FUEL AND LUBE	10,000. 00		10,000. 00	9,892. 77	117. 09
MACHINERY MAINT	10,000. 00	323. 47	10,323. 47	10,323. 47	0. 00
WORKMEN'S COMP	9,985. 73		9,985. 73	8,612. 61	1,373. 12
PREPARE & OIL ROADS	9,334. 00		9,334. 00	6,686. 98	2,647. 02
STATE SHARE	0. 00		0. 00	23,051. 80	( 23,051. 80)
IMPROVE ROADS	5,575. 00		5,575. 00	513. 57	5,061. 43
STATE SHARE	0. 00		0. 00	2,160. 70	( 2,160. 70)
PICK-UP TRUCK	11,000. 00		11,000. 00	11,000. 00	0. 00
TREE WARDEN					
SALARY	100. 00		100. 00	100. 00	0. 00
EXPENSE	800. 00		800. 00	800. 00	0. 00
STREET LIGHTS EXPENSE	7,000. 00		7,000. 00	6,340. 75	659. 25
CEMETARY COMMISSION EXPENSE	2,755. 00	6. 24	2,761. 24	2,761. 24	0. 00
TOWN PROPERTY/BUILDINGS					
TOWN HALL	4,990. 00	669. 73	5,659. 73	5,659. 73	0. 00
TOWN BARN	4,610. 00		4,610. 00	4,420. 57	189. 43
TOWN COMMON	350. 00		350. 00	350. 00	0. 00
PROPERTY INSURANCE	20,000. 00		20,000. 00	17,303. 00	2,697. 00
FINANCE COMMITTEE					
EXPENSE	250. 00	269. 40	519. 40	519. 40	0. 00
RESERVE FUND	15,000. 00	( 5,867. 06)	9,132. 94	0. 00	9,132. 94



DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATION OR BEGIN BALANCE	TRANSFER & OTHER	TOTAL	EXPENDED	BALANCE
LOAN & DEBT SERVICE					
ELEM. SCHOOL BOND	35,000.00		35,000.00	35,000.00	0.00
INTEREST	42,000.00	811.77	42,811.77	61,289.90	(18,478.13 )
NOTE CERTIFICATION	165.00	155.00	320.00	320.00	0.00
CIVIL DEFENSE					
EXPENSE	375.00		375.00	370.10	4.90
AMBULANCE					
EXPENSE	16,000.00		16,000.00	16,000.00	0.00
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT					
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	622,662.00		622,662.00	622,652.48	9.52
TANTASQUA	405,341.00		405,341.00	405,341.00	0.00
ENCUMBERED	11,197.05		11,197.05	11,197.05	0.00
WINDOWS	16,600.00		16,600.00	0.00	16,600.00
STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS					
STATE ASSESSMENT	14,028.64		14,028.64	13,217.74	810.90
COUNTY ASSESSMENT	60,935.85		60,935.85	60,935.86	( 0.01 )



OFFICE OF  
BOARD OF ASSESSORS

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

For the fiscal year 1983 (July 1, 1982 - June 30, 1983) the "green" sheet estimate of incoming funds was as follows:

A. Reimbursement for loss of taxes	\$15,952.00	
Flood control	26,348.00	
Veterans abatements	1,024.00	
Blind persons abatement	256.00	
Elderly abatements	4,241.00	\$47,821.00
B. Education		
School Aid, Chapter 70	98,046.00	
Transportation of pupils	67,251.00	
Construction costs	19,653.00	
School related transportation	3,068.00	
Special Needs Recreation	280.00	
Tuition for state wards	2,790.00	
Public library aid	1,250.00	
School lunch program	2,264.00	
Mental health transportation	6,922.00	201,524.00
C. General government		
Veterans benefits	4,468.00	
Highway reconstruction	34,436.00	
Local aid fund	101,699.00	
Local aid fund (lottery)	27,468.00	
Highway (Chapter 81)	26,712.00	194,783.00
D. Total estimated receipts		444,128.00
"Cherry" sheet charges include:		
County tax	60,935.85	
Audit Municipal Accounts	704.88	
Motor excise bills	343.65	
State recreation areas	12,242.28	
Air pollution control	737.83	74,964.49
Prior year underestimates to be raised:		897.70
Tax rate recapitulation for FY 1983		
Gross amount to be raised		1,630,178.76
Estimated receipts and available funds		636,507.36
Net amount to be raised by taxation		993,671.40
Tax Rate - \$19.80		



OFFICE OF  
BOARD OF ASSESSORS

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Personal property valuations	\$2,586,450.00
Real Estate valuation	<u>47,598,974.00</u>
	\$50,185,424.00

The clerk for the Board of Assessors will receive telephone inquiries for the Assessors Monday and Wednesdays from 11:30 to 1:30. The Assessors office is open to the public the first and third Mondays of the month, 7-9PM. The Assessor telephone number is 245-9635.

Questions pertaining to real and personal property, assessments, motor vehicles, and other assessments may be directed to the Assessors. Questions having to do with payments should be addressed to the tax collector.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Assessors  
Richard Starkey, Chairman  
Tom Keough  
Jim Killian

Sue Cox, Clerk

Salaries:

Louis Lavoie	\$225.00
Richard Starkey	450.00
Thomas Keough	450.00
James Killian	225.00
Susan Cox	2,550.00





DEPARTMENT OF POLICE  
TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
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CHIEF OF POLICE  
VICTOR J. MILANI

August 31, 1983

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

I take pleasure in submitting the Annual Report of the Police Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1983. The present force consists of a Chief, a Deputy Chief, one Lieutenant, one Sergeant, and ten Patrolmen.

ROSTER OF THE DEPARTMENT

Chief

Victor J. Milani

Deputy Chief

William F. Roberts

Lieutenant

Donald B. Norton

Sergeant

Louis Iadisernia

Patrolmen

Earl L. Cote Sr.  
Patricia M. Coto  
Robert L. Coto  
Richard Kszepka  
Armand LaMountain

Charles McGann Sr.  
Charles McGann Jr.  
Charles A. Modugno  
Joel R. Norton  
John H. Stanton

Officers have been assigned to routine patrols and special events. In addition, officers have served at funerals, weekly church services, town caucuses, town meetings, road races, and town elections.

The department is very pleased to have completed renovations of the former kitchen area on the lower floor of the town hall that presently houses the Brimfield Police Department. Officers feel a special sense of pride concerning the station, since all labor involved in the construction/renovation project was provided through the voluntary efforts of the officers. On Sunday May 8, 1983 an open house was held at the station, and canon fire on the town common commemorated the event.

The Department wishes to acknowledge the efforts of its civilian emergency services dispatchers: Cynthia Clark, Janet Hastings, Donna Hellyar, Shirley Hopkins, Joanne Milani, Maryann Wales, and Karen Weglarz.

During this past year Crime Prevention Officer, Robert L. Coto, has continued to be very active in his presentation of the Crime Watch Program. Several civic groups have sponsored the purchase of Community Crime Watch Signs that will be erected on the major roads leading into the town.

We continue to urge you to report any incident or person you deem to be suspicious. Many times a telephone call from a curious citizen has led to an apprehension or solution of a crime. Reported burglaries and larcenies of property have continued to show slight increases in number over previous years. Continued public awareness of crime prevention programs is a first essential step in combating these crimes.

GENERAL CALLS

Ambulance Assists.....	16
Assists at Fires.....	11
Automobile Accidents.....	24
Automobiles Recovered.....	3
Buildings Open.....	3
Disabled Motor Vehicles.....	11
Disturbances.....	14
Dog Complaints (referred to dog officer).....	27
Vacant Homes Checked.....	76
Illegal Discarding of Rubbish.....	2
Loose Animals.....	19
Objects in Roadway.....	1
Parking Violation Citations Issued.....	263
Persons Held in Protective Custody.....	7
Prowlers.....	3
Summonses and Supoenas Served.....	51
Warnings Issued for Traffic Violations.....	12

OFFENSES

Allowing Improper Person to Operate Motor Vehicle.....	2
Altering Motor Vehicle Operator License.....	1

Annoying and Accosting.....	3
Arson.....	1
Assault.....	2
Assault and Battery.....	5
Assault and Battery with Dangerous Weapon.....	4
Attaching Improper Plates to Motor Vehicle.....	3
Attempted Burglary.....	3
Attempted Indecent Assault.....	1
Breaking and Entering in the Daytime.....	13
Breaking and Entering in the Nighttime.....	4
Burglary.....	1
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny from a building.....	3
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny from a motor vehicle....	2
Delinquency by reason of Larceny of motor vehicle.....	2
Delinquency by reason of Larceny over \$100.....	2
Delinquency by reason of Malicious Destruction Property....	3
Delinquency by reason of Possession of Alcohol.....	7
Delinquency by reason of Using Motor Vehicle Without Auth.	4
Delinquency by Reason of Possession of Class D Drug.....	3
Delinquency by Reason of Receiving Stolen Property.....	2
Discharge of Firearms.....	8
Disorderly Person.....	4
Failing to grant right of way.....	2
Failing to Keep Right.....	4
Failing to Report Accident.....	2
Failing to Signal Properly.....	2
Following too Closely.....	2
Indecent Exposure.....	1
Larceny by Check.....	29
Larceny of Motor Vehicle.....	3
Larceny Over \$100.....	21
Larceny Under \$100.....	7
Leaving Scene of Property Damage Accident.....	2
Malicious Destruction of Property.....	2
Minor in Possession of Alcoholic Beverage.....	5
Obscene Telephone Calls.....	8
Operating a Motorcycle Without Protective Headgear.....	1
Operating a Motor Vehicle after Revocation of License....	4
Operating a Motor Vehicle Making Excessive Noise.....	2
Operating a Motor Vehicle After Suspension of License....	2
Operating a Motor Vehicle Making Excessive Smoke.....	2
Operating a Motor Vehicle so as to Endanger.....	11
Operating a Motor Vehicle Under Influence of Alcohol.....	7



Operating a Motor Vehicle with Defective Equipment.....	5
Operating a Motor Vehicle without Inspection Sticker.....	12
Operating a Motor Vehicle without being properly Licensed.....	4
Operating a Motor Vehicle no registration in possession.....	4
Operating a motor Vehicle no license in possession.....	3
Operating a Snowmobile on a public way.....	2
Operating an uninsured Motor Vehicle.....	4
Operating an unregistered motor vehicle.....	2
Passing on Right.....	2
Passing Stop Sign.....	4
Possession of Class D Controlled Drug.....	2
Possession of Dangerous Weapon.....	2
Procuring Alcoholic Beverage for Minor.....	3
Receiving Stolen Property.....	3
Refusing to Produce License for a Police Officer.....	2
Refusing to Stop for Police Officer.....	2
Runaway.....	4
Speeding.....	23
Trespassing.....	7
Violation of Dog Restraining Order (referred to dog officer)...	8
Warrants Executed.....	11

#### ARRESTS

Arrests on Warrants.....	11
Arrests without Warrants.....	22

#### REQUESTS RECEIVED

References.....	6
Police Reports(accidents and investigation).....	31
Military Inquiries.....	9

#### ASSISTS TO OTHER POLICE DEPARTMENTS

Information on residents.....	7
License Status check.....	8
Assists in Arrests.....	3
Relay Summons.....	5
Relay Person(s).....	8

#### ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

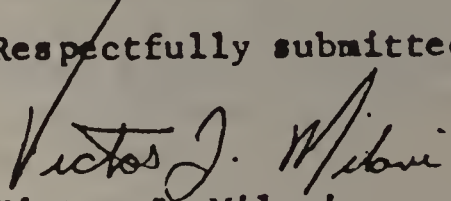
Verify Motor Vehicle VIN for title.....	6
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FID Permits Issued.....38  
Pistol Permits Issued.....36  
Sunday Work Permits..... 1  
License Revocation and Suspension forms processed.....16  
License Reinstatement forms processed..... 4

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen for their continued cooperation. The Department also wishes to express its appreciation to the Massachusetts State Police for assistance received, and the residents of Brimfield for their continued cooperation and support.

To my officers, a special thanks for your loyalty and conscientiousness in the performance of you duties.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Victor J. Milani  
Chief of Police



BRIMFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
Wales Road  
Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010



MICHAEL L. WALES  
CHIEF

During the year ending June 30, 1983 the Fire Department responded to a total of 95 alarms, expending 1,068 man hours. The following is a breakdown of these alarms:

Motor Vehicle Accidents	28
Chimney fires	22
False Alarms	14
Grass/Brush fires	10
Motor Vehicle fires	8
Structure fires	6
Mutual Aid calls	4
Search & Rescue	2
Slab fire	1

This year showed an increased number of calls, specifically in the number of chimney fires. Due to this fact, we have become aware that many home owners need to have their chimneys cleaned and inspected at least once a year, and preferably twice.

Respectfully submitted,

*Michael L. Wales*

Michael L. Wales, Chief



BRIMFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
Wales Road  
Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010



MICHAEL L. WALES  
CHIEF

	<u>Flea Market</u>	<u>Salaries</u>
Mike Wales	\$126.00	\$350.00
Ken Weglarz	\$364.00	\$73.80
Peter Whitten	\$224.00	\$20.56
Thomas Brown	\$185.50	\$26.52
Joe Hopkins	\$322.00	\$48.96
David Branchaud	\$182.00	\$31.28
Bill Chapin	\$269.50	\$14.28
Linda Collette		\$19.72
Joe Collette		\$27.88
Ward Cox		\$13.60
John Cox		\$ 6.12
Ron Cox		\$ 5.44
Steve Denning	\$112.00	\$27.88
Tim Dupont		\$10.88
Bob Hanna		\$58.84
Donna Hellyar		\$23.80
Terry Hellyar		\$ 2.04
John Hilker		\$45.56
Shirley Hopkins	\$178.50	\$32.64
Steve Modugno	\$133.00	\$44.88
Rick Phifer		\$34.00
Steve Phifer		\$26.52
Roger Pratt		\$ 2.72
Eric Romano		\$ 2.72
John Sherris		\$29.92
Sue Sutherland		\$ 38.76
Karen Weglarz		\$ 1.36
Jim Whitten	\$234.50	\$12.92
Carl Eckenbarger	\$122.50	
Rebecca Chapin	\$ 28.00	
Michael Norton	\$ 66.50	
14 TOTALS-----	\$2548.00-----	\$591.60



## REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

The 1982-83 year provided a successful, if challenging, continuation of the town's youth recreation program. All programs with the exception of swimming, saw increased participation.

The Fall '82 Soccer program saw Brimfield field five teams in the Tantasqua Regional Soccer League.

The 82-83 Basketball program continued to expand within the Four-Town League, (Brimfield, Holland, Monson, Wales).

The Spring '83 Softball and Baseball season was a rousing success and reflected a continued growth.

Beginning with this report the Recreation Committee will report on a fiscal year basis which corresponds to the Town's fiscal year.

Submitted by:

Sandy and Geoff Earls  
Lynn and Ken Lacey  
Pam and Don Moriarty  
Karen and Bob Bergstrom  
Ray Ciesluk

### BRIMFIELD RECREATION COMMITTEE 1983-1984

Bob Bergstrom	Chairman	245-3883
Karen Bergstrom	Secretary	245-3883
Sandy Earls	Treasurer	245-9538
Geoffrey Earls	Baseball Director	245-9538
Don Moriarty	Basketball Director	245-3514
Pam Moriarty	Tree Lighting Ceremony	245-3514
John Miller	T.R.Y. Soccer	245-9358
Jan Clay	Swim Director	245-3480
Ray Ciesluk		245 9477
Ron and Elaine Hevey		245-9293
Ron and Diane Hevey		245-3581
Ed Paige		245-7227

### FINANCIAL SUMMARY

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>1982-83</u>	<u>1983-84</u>	<u>1984-85</u>	<u>Estimated</u>
1. Town of Brimfield	\$ 500.	\$ 1500.	\$ 1800.	
2. Country Fair	2000.	638.	650.	
3. Registrations	644.	827.	850.	
4. Fund Raisers (net)	111.	336	350.	
	<u>3255.</u>	<u>3301</u>	<u>3650.</u>	
		<u>EXPENSES</u>		
5. Swimming	300	300	350	
6. Soccer	540	654	700.	
7. Basketball	531.	549 (est)	600.	
8. Baseball/Softball	1147.	1200 (Est.)	1200.	
9. Uniform Shirts	670.	96.	150.	
10. Tree Lighting		25.	100.	
	<u>3188.</u>	<u>2824.</u>	<u>3100.</u>	
11. Reserve and Facilities improvement	67.	477. Est.	550.	



BRIMFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY  
COLONIAL PARK RT. 20  
Brimfield, Ma. 01010

Brlm. 067-1

**Equal Housing Opportunity**

**REPORT OF THE BRIMFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY (Fiscal 1982-1983)**

The regular monthly meetings of the Authority are held at Colonial Park, Rt. 20, Brimfield, Ma on the second Wednesday of each month at 1:30 PM.

Mrs. Juliane Spooner retired as Executive Director on July 1, 1982 after serving in that capacity since the opening of Colonial Park. Mr. Louis H. Lavoie replaced on a Pro Tem basis until Oct. 21, 1982 when the replacement became permanent.

The Tenant's Association activities continued at a vigorous pace with card parties, bingo, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas and Valentine parties. A special party was held in honor of Mrs. Spooner's retirement with a sizeable purse given. Their bazaar, held in November, earned more than \$600. Many of the items are hand made at the Hobby Club held each Wednesday during the year.

Seven vacancies occurred during the year. They have all been filled and we now have 8 on the waiting list.

Energy Conservation Projects were a priority during this year. A Mass. Save Energy Audit was made at the complex. It recommended lowering the hot water temperature to 140 degrees and adding a blanket of insulation over the hot water heaters. The Authority also installed new energy efficient lights which reduced wattage from 1350 to 288 with no illumination loss.

We wish to thank the Highway, Police and Fire Departments and the Ambulance Service for their services. Also the Council on Aging for providing transportation thru the Elderbus. Our thanks to the tenants who act as security officers during the long days of Flea Market Time.

THE BRIMFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY  
Clarence Keith      Grace Stuart  
Helene Yeames      Llewellyn Norton  
Alice Adams



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COUNCIL ON AGING

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY  
EMPLOYER

The Council on Aging provides Elderbus Service to anyone above 55 years of age and also the handicapped. This service is available five days a week Monday thru Friday.

We are grateful to the Town of Brimfield for providing the Elderbus Office, located in the Town Hall. That office is staffed by our full time dispatcher/driver five days a week.

Our service is funded by the following sources:  
Town of Brimfield  
Home Care Corp. of Springfield  
Department of Elder Affairs (Boston)  
Title III and Title 20 State Grants.

We have 10 volunteer elderbus drivers for which we are grateful. I submit the following data for this past year:

Man Hours                740  
Mile Traveled 13,420  
People Served    (Duplicated) 3,210  
                         (Unduplicated) 365

Council Members    1984-85

Elmer Deering  
Harriet Freeman  
Florence Gendreau  
Lucy Hanna  
Doris Krzyminski (Secretary)  
Frank McLeish (Chairman)  
Pearl McLeish (Treasurer)  
Dolly Moore  
Grace Stuart  
Frank Sweeney  
Vernon Heipler

Advisors

Marge Bergstrom

Respectfully submitted,

Frank D. McLeish, Chairman  
Council on Aging



BRIMFIELD  
HAMPDEN  
HOLLAND  
MONSON  
WALES

VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
DISTRICT OF EASTERN HAMPDEN COUNTY  
MONSON, MASSACHUSETTS  
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January 13, 1984

Board of Selectmen  
Brimfield, MA. 01010

In 1983 there were five families aided by the Veterans' Services Department involving ten people.

Total amount expended during the year was \$7,382.82 of which 50% is reimbursed by the State, the Towns' share being \$3,691.41.

Under the provisions of Chapter 115 of the General Laws as amended, veterans and dependents were granted financial assistance.

Respectfully submitted

*Bert Nietupski*  
Bert Nietupski

Director of Veterans' Service



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BOARD OF HEALTH

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health, through its routine testing of water supplies in the Town of Brimfield, was notified that the Town Spring, which supplies the Town Barn, Town Hall, and Public Library, had a high bacterial count. By the time this report will be read at the Annual Town Meeting, we are certain that the situation will have been rectified by either the repair of the existing system or the construction of a new water system.

Mr. Edward Killian was reelected to the Board of Health for another three-year term.

Thanks to the cooperation of the Townspeople, the rubbish collection service continues to be successful.

The Board of Health renewed its agreement with Harrington Hospital for community health nursing services.

The Board would like to again take this opportunity to advise the Townspeople that the first step to be taken by anyone contemplating the building of a new dwelling or other new building where toilet facilities are required by law is to have a percolation test performed by a licensed Engineer or Sanitarian before obtaining a building permit. The percolation test is to be observed and approved by Lyman Stanton, Agent of the Board of Health. Repairs to existing septic systems must also be performed under the direction of Mr. Stanton (telephone number 245-9804).

The members of the Board of Health are unsalaried.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard D. May, Chairman  
Edward J. Killian  
Clayton L. Thomas, MD

October 6, 1983

**BRIMFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010

Circulation: 8373  
Attendance: 5976

Interlibrary Loans: 219  
Holdings: 9341

This has been a productive year for the Brimfield Library. We have acquired a copying machine. Our book collection grows and is regularly weeded. Many friends continue to donate materials. The Garden Club gave us another lovely holiday wreath. Without our generous friends and without our affiliation with the Central Mass. Regional Library System the library would be in serious difficulty. We thank our benefactors.

Sixty-six children participated in our summer program for young people. The single activity that is most consistently related to summer learning is reading, whether measured by number of books read, time spent reading, or by regularity of library usage. Reading during the summer systematically increases vocabulary test scores of children. Summer reading has a substantial effect on achievement that is largely independent of family background. The public library directly influences children's reading.

A handbook of library policies has been developed by the Board of Trustees dealing with such matters as facilities use, materials selection, lending procedures, exhibits, and gifts.

An up-to-date appraisal of the library's artifacts has been done and the building's wiring will be brought up to code in compliance with the town's insurance requirements in the near future.

Miss Helene Lindblad is on duty in the Sherman Historical Room on Wednesdays. Miss Lindblad answers reference questions, adds materials to our files, and hosts visiting groups. The library now has an active and enthusiastic oral history committee and the collection of tape recorded local history is growing. Our facilities have been used by a number of local groups during the year and we are pleased to offer this service to the community.

A matter of considerable concern to all who use the library is the lack of a potable water supply. This poses a potential health hazard and is an issue which needs to be addressed as soon as possible.

The Board of Trustees has been unfailingly encouraging and supportive. Mrs. Elizabeth Beaumont, Mrs. Carole Mimeault, Mrs. Julia Irvine, and Miss Wanda Madura are dedicated staff people. Mr. Frank McLeish solves all our maintenance and custodial problems.

The library hours are: Tuesday - 2:30 to 5:30  
Wednesday - 2:30 to 5:30 and 7:30 to 9:00 (Closed during all  
Thursday - 2:30 to 5:30 flea market weeks)  
Saturday - 2:30 to 5:30 and 7:30 to 9:00

Books may be left in the book drop in the door or renewed by telephone. The telephone number is 245-3518.

You are invited to visit your local free public library and let us know how we can serve you better.

Respectfully submitted,

*Bronwyn Robertson*

Bronwyn Robertson

The following is a list of library employees showing each person's compensation from the town for the fiscal year 1982-83:

J. Irvine - \$297.60  
H. Lindblad - \$455.70

F. McLeish - \$580.36  
B. Robertson - \$2865.00





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Report of the Legal Committee for Human Health and Safety

This report is as of August 25, 1983, it having been about a year and a half since the town meeting by overwhelming vote decided to use legal means to stop the construction of the world's largest hazardous waste facility on the Brimfield-Warren town line.

Your committee has not adopted a strategy of delay or harassment in its legal maneuvers, but does take some satisfaction that the proposed project has been delayed for such a long period of time.

We have spent approximately \$14,700 of your tax dollars. About \$750,000 of state and corporate funds has been spent. Warren and STOP-IT of Warren have spent about \$150,000. We have received about \$3,500 from private sources.

We are fully cognizant of the fact that there is a hazardous waste problem in Massachusetts and that it must be dealt with, but the proposed IT plan, which will import waste from all of New England and probably New York and New Jersey, as well as other Mid-Atlantic states, is not a solution. It is part of the problem.

By the time you read this report, the situation may have changed, but as of this moment your committee is pursuing four avenues:

1. Our Boston Attorney has gathered information on the disqualifications of the proposed developer.
2. We have legislation in the House Ways and Means Committee which would take advantage of those disqualifications.
3. Our Palmer Attorney is appealing the court's dismissal of our suit alleging that the Warren LAC is illegally constituted and that Brimfield has been illegally deprived of its rightful status as host community. The main grounds for dismissal were the judge's assumption that Brimfield had not exhausted its administrative remedies before filing suit. It did, and has the registered mail receipt to prove it.
4. We remain alert to the possibility of filing additional suits, not excluding the Mass. Turnpike Authority as



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a defendant, as events unfold.

Details of legal strategies can not always be made public because defendants as well as taxpayers can read.

George C. Gross, Chairman  
John Curtis  
Richard Raymond  
Helen Sweeney  
Carol Jensen  
Richard Siewick  
Clayton Thomas, M.D.

## REPORT OF THE PARKING VIOLATION CLERK

Due to an overload of work and a shortage in manpower in the court systems (created by a cutback due to Proposition 2 1/2) the State of Massachusetts decided to relieve the Judicial System of the collections of parking ticket fines throughout the Commonwealth and place the responsibility within the individual cities or towns.

In 1981 Senate Bill 1998 was amended and passed as part of the state budget and as result turned over to the cities and towns certain functions and responsibilities with regard to the processing and collection of parking violation notices ie; Parking Tickets. Historically parking violations have been given a low priority status by the District Court System and as a result a serious backlog has developed in the collection of fines due the cities and towns involved. However, such action was not automatic. In order for a city or town to obtain the power to enforce parking regulations and to collect revenue for their individual city or town they had to accept the provisions of one or another (20A or 20A 1/2) of the new section of the Mass. Gen. Laws. The Town of Brimfield voted to accept 20A 1/2 at a Special Town Meeting on March 27, 1982. After such adoption, the powers became the Town of Brimfield's. This same law required the appointment of a Parking Violation Clerk. Such appointment was made by Selectmen during their annual appointments that May.

Effective May 1982 all tickets issued violators for parking violations throughout Brimfield were turned over to the Parking Violation Clerk for collections. Out of approximately 215 tickets issued in 1982, fines were collected for 127. This represented a little over a 50% collection, mainly due to out of state violators who were difficult or impossible to collect from. Most fines were \$15.00 with a few officers handing out \$10.00 fines. The town realized \$1885.00 from which the Parking Clerk received \$2.00 per ticket collected for processing. Many hours were spent by the Clerk in the collection process. The job began with spending countless hrs. at a computer at the then Monson State Police Barracks searching for names and addresses of violators. If the ticket was not paid within the indicated time period on the ticket, warning notices were then sent out. Hearings were held for complaints. Court proceedings followed. Meetings were attended at the Registry to update on procedural changes and new amendments to the law. Constant telephone usage became involved.

Effective September 1983, Chapter 233 of the Acts of 1983 incorporated a change to the Parking Law whereby if any person failed to pay any parking violation notice within 21 days or failed to appear in accordance with said hearing notice, the parking clerk shall notify the Registry of Motor Vehicles who shall place the matter on record and shall not renew the license to operate a motor vehicle of the registered owner of the vehicle or the registration until after notice from the Parking Clerk that the matter has been disposed of in accordance with the law. This added another duty for the Parking Violation Clerk.



In 1982 Computer Emporium, a Data Processing Firm in Newburyport, Massachusetts approached the Selectmen to handle the processing of the tickets for the sum of \$1.00 per ticket in addition to other expense cost factors. The fee seemed unbelievable for all the hard work involved. The Board was encouraged by the Parking Clerk to pursue the Computer Processing method of collections mainly because they have a direct access to out of state registries which was a disadvantage from the local level.

Computer Emporium was contracted by the Board of Selectmen on April 4, 1983. We turned everything over to the Data Processing firm in May (right after the first flea market) including the previous years unpaid tickets. A total of 345 tickets were entered for collection (both in and out of state). These tickets represent \$5,220.00 in fines. Of this figure - to date - \$2373.79 has been deposited in the Town of Brimfield Acct. for collections by Computer Emporium. An exact figure of our cost to the firm in addition to the \$1.00 per ticket was not available at the time of this printing. However it is known that they receive an additional .12 service charge for every fine deposited in the Towns' Acct.

It is my personal opinion that the Town retain this firm for future processing when their contract comes up for renewal taking into consideration the time and effort their sophisticated system saves us with their modern methods of processing in addition to extra revenues collected.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia J. Lawrence  
Parking Violation Clerk

No Salary

# TAX COLLECTOR REPORT FISCAL 1983

		BALANCE 06/30/82	COMMITTED IN FISCAL 1983	PAID TO TREASURER	ABATEMENTS FISCAL 83	REFUNDS FISCAL 83	BALANCE 06/30/83
MOTOR VEHICLE	1973	-31.90					-31.90
	1974	-19.80					-19.80
	1975	-38.13					-38.13
	1976	164.06		19.80			144.26
	1977	2376.68		1578.50			798.18
	1978	6737.75		236.35			6501.40
	1979	4953.47		104.50			4848.97
	1980	3560.22		423.79			3136.43
	1981	5612.98		754.24	351.50		4507.24
	1982	8299.28	12541.56	19285.99	1171.40	647.67	1031.12
	1983		43873.96	15674.37	482.54		27717.05
FARM ANIMAL	1976	102.00					102.00
	1977	153.20					153.20
	1978	163.60					163.60
	1979	482.00					482.00
	1980	252.00					252.00
	1981	200.50					200.50
	1982	1147.23		1104.50			42.73
	1983						0.00
PERSONAL PROP.	1977	23.76					23.76
	1978	457.70					457.70
	1979	673.71					673.71
	1980	1809.19		26.77			1782.42
	1981	3994.88					3994.88
	1982	36811.86	86.11	36681.91			216.06
	1983		51211.71	30066.08			21145.63
REAL ESTATE	1979	-226.16					-226.16
	1980	10466.87					10466.87
	1981	23840.50		3466.64	30.00	30.00	20373.86
	1982	458313.70	1942.26	411994.58	64619.99	38236.96	21878.35
	1983		926571.32	740102.42	11992.76	1175.00	175651.14
		570281.15	1036226.92	1261520.44	78648.19	40089.63	306429.07

# REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR FISCAL 1983

	Balance 6/30/82	Committed in Fiscal 1983	Paid to Treas.	Abatements Fiscal 1983	Refunds Fiscal 1983	Balance 6/30/83
Motor Vehicle	1973 (31.90)					{31.90)
1974 (19.40)						(19.40)
1975 (38.13)						(38.13)
1976 164.06			19.80			144.26
1977 2376.68			1578.50			798.18
1978 6737.76			236.35			6501.40
1979 4953.47			104.50			4848.97
1980 3560.22			423.79			3136.43
1981 5612.98			754.24			4507.24
1982 6299.28		12541.56	19285.99	351.50		1031.12
1983 43873.96		15674.37		482.54	647.67	27717.05
Farm Animal	1976 102.00					102.00
1977 153.20						153.20
1078 163.60						163.60
1979 482.00						482.00
1980 252.00						252.00
1981 200.50						200.50
1982 1147.23						42.73
			1104.50			
Personal Property	1977 23.76					23.76
1978 457.70						457.70
1979 673.71						673.71
1980 1809.19			26.77			1782.42
1981 3994.88						3994.88
1982 36811.86						216.06
1983 51211.71			36681.91			21145.63
			30066.08			
Real Estate	1979 (226.16)					(226.16)
1980 10466.87						10466.87
1981 23840.50						20373.86
1982 458313.70		1942.26	3466.64	30.00		21878.35
1983 926571.32		411994.58	740102.42	64619.99	30.00	175651.14
				11992.76	38236.96	
					1175.00	

570291.15 1036226.92 1261520.44 78648.19 40089.63 306429.07



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as of Sept 30, 1983

40 GRAVEL or other	758.45
Fennett, Paul	404.87
Fennett, Paul	12.82
Fascom, Edward	155.72
Fenoit, Michelle	330.56
Fonneau, Arthur and Mary	92.24
Feall, Tod and Pamela	555.10
Fonneau, Arthur and Mary	10.48
Fonneau, Arthur and Mary	87.91
Fonneau, Arthur and Mary	81.72
Fonneau, Arthur and Mary	34.81
Fouffard, Roger S.	458.00
Fouffard, Roger S.	5.50
Fowen, Walter	355.41
Frisson, Fenoit	305.94
Frown, Denning	230.83
Fuccelli, P.	164.11
Furnham, Mary (deceased)	102.59
Cavanaugh, Daniel and Patricia	390.28
Clowes, Allan	113.58
Cook, David	00.00
Cortis, Donald	7.33
Cox, Helen	00.00
Deforge, William	5.50
Deforge, William	533.11
Dougherty, Matthew	5.50
Dougherty, Matthew	5.50
Duckworth, Ruth	404.87
Fenton, Edwin and Margaret	1.83
Fenton Edwin and Margaret	65.95
Fountain Royal	500.14
Ganache, Rosalie	130.07
George, Robert or other	12.82
" "	128.24
" "	131.90
" "	159.38
" "	128.24
" "	130.07
George, Beverly	146.56
George, Robert or other	1154.16
Conway, Sandra	2694.87
Harlow Royal Pealty	89.77
" "	754.78
Healy, Frank	18.32
Hebert, Frank and Versie	302.38
Hellyar, Terrance and Donna	673.46
Hicks Richard and Anderson	64.12
Hicks, Richard and Shirley S.	1220.20
Howlett, Joan	256.48
Hubbard, Lawrence	458.22

# Fiscal 1982

Jackson, Joseph and Geneva	198.54
Jeffery, Harold	304.11
Kudla, Walter	393.88
LaPose, Arthur	305.82
LaVallee, Richard and Doris	5.50
Langlitz, John C.	712.65
Laurion, Arthur and Eileen	15.57
MacDowell, David W	2575.79
Mahler, Lloyd	271.14
McKinstry	214.34
Mendala, Edwin	293.62
Moran, Helen S.	730.97
Murray, Robert and Mary	359.07
Paxter/Ozut	175.87
Parnes, Catherine	98.93
Peirce William	76.94
Pelland Vivian and Patrie, C.	5.50
Phillips, c/o Hayes	1480.26
Pilch, Chester	3169.15
Pratt, Roger	331.59
Quatrone, Lewis	282.13
R.L.W.	117.26
Raby, Annette and Paul	1187.14
Roberts, Louis F	76.94
Ross Robert J.	2835.94
Rutanen, David and Clarice	643.03
Ryan Jonathon	824.40
Segool, James and Arlene	732.81
Snickers, Virginia	196.26
Sotiropoulos, Harry	47.63
Stearns, Fruschi/unknown	185.03
Suprenant, John	1229.27
Trombly, Mary	16.49
Trombly, Shelia	338.92
Ullery Richard	7.33
Vacon, Donald and Dianne	12.82
Visneau, Robert and Joanne	578.91
Weston, Ronald and Linda	117.25
Wozny, Joseph	5.50

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as of September 30, 1983

Adella Adams	8.75
Mr Spinner	120.78
Dielassi, Mouldi (under question)	618.76
Farr, Sumner	1004.85
Farrett, Edward	.20
Fascom, Edward	168.39
Feall, Tod and Pamela	1612.71
Fell Frederick	535.59
Fennett, Paul	451.44
Fennett Wilfred	249.48
Fenoit, Michele	813.78
Ferube, R and M	890.43
Knapik, Barton	2.00
Fliss, David and Ann	1574.99
Foemer, Allen and Lois	.22
Fonneau, Arthur and Mary	169.27
Fouffard, Roger	500.94
Fousquest, Roger and Fessette	793.98
Fren Warren	891.00
Freton, Robert	3.92
Frison, Fenoit	437.58
Denning, Mark	710.82
Pruso, Gerald	1754.28
Fuccelli, P.	883.08
Furnham, Cedric and Juski	165.33
Furnham Mary (deceased)	110.88
Campion, Geroge	79.20
Carassello Richard	11.88
Cataldo, Francis	182.86
Cavanaugh, Daniel	254.50
Ciesla, G.	1005.84
Cowes Ann Allen	122.76
Cook, David	1003.87
Cook, Lucius	2471.04
Cook, David	; 243.44
Corlis, Donald	7.92
Cox/Niemitz	746.46
Cox, Helen	283.55
Currier, Edward and Lorraine	109.89
Dady, John	390.06
Daigle, Lionel	5.94
Deforge, William and Jane	585.12
DiGregorio, N. and I.	2249.28
Denning, Margaret	672.44
Dougherty, Matthew	11.88
Duncan, Earl	331.86
Earthrowl, Kathy	1118.70
Edmond, Roger	45.54
Curtis, Walter	1.98
Cheney, Robert	1787.94
Field, Robert	2444.50
Fish, Gracetta	479.16



# Fiscal 1983

Flynn, Kenneth	821.70
Fontaine E.	590.58
Fountain, Royal	540.54
Gallo, John	805.86
Gamache, Rosalie	13.86
Gauthier, Raymonf	825.66
Gendreau, Albert	352.04
Gentile, Jeannette	399.07
George Robert or other	1247.40
Brugger, Maryann	104.94
Escape Estates or other	208.94
Geri, Rosa	316.80
Goddard, William	542.14
Goetze, Doris	311.52
Goodhart, John	1094.94
Goodspeed, Walter	102.96
Matthews, Gary	289.08
Potter, Diana	64.94
Haley, James	354.42
Haley, Brian	1607.03
Iarose, Arthur	520.74
Parlow Royal Realty	912.78
Healy, Frank	19.80
Hebert, Richard	326.70
Hellvar, Terrance	1538.46
Henderson, Karen	1100.88
Henry, James	518.76
Hicks, Richard	649.44
Hicks, Richard M.	736.54
Howlett, Joan	277.20
Hutbard, Lawrence	455.16
Jackson, Joseph	677.16
Jeffery, Harold	328.68
Jendsen, Dean	378.20
Johnson, James	312.84
Kazan, Rudolph	1140.15
Kinder, Ann	10.00
Labonte, Raymond	331.65
Lachapelle, Theodore	20.52
Roble, Amhed	93.06
Lavallee, Richard	5.94
Lamb, Ina	278.20
Langliyz, John	120.00
Lavoie, Louis	804.86
Lescarbeau, R.G.	3.00
Lewis, Freck	388.08
Lussier, Phyllis	1669.14
Luszczy	822.69
MacConnell Estate	1000.00
MacDowell, David	2283.99
Clay, Thomas	1249.38
Marnum, Christopher	419.76
McCarthy or other	17.82
McDermott, Lee	34.42
McIntyre, Hebert	1225.68

# Fiscal 1983

McKinstry, Leonard	231.56
McVeigh	1414.66
McVeigh David	302.08
Millrte, Allan	3.96
Missios, Angelo	422.73
Mooney, Howear	831.70
Moran, John	790.02
Morin, Gerald	1907.40
Mullane, Catherine or other	33.66
Mullane, James	592.02
Mullen, James	310.86
Murray, Robert	388.08
Olsen, Vernon	24.25
Ozut, John	13.86
Page, Edward	1076.13
Panaccione, David	262.34
Parnes, Constance	106.92
Pelland, Vivian	5.94
Person, Eric	138.60
Peters, John	891.00
Petrie, William	15.17
Phaneuf Clifford	17.00
Phillips c/o Hayes	1599.84
Philch Chester	3680.82
First Cong. Church	529.92
Post 430 Sportsmans	1607.76
Pratt Roger	358.38
Pudski, David	21.78
Quatrone, Lewis	298.98
Jaznow	453.42
R.L.W.	126.72
Fergstrom, Robert	869.22
Prognan	775.90
Raymond William	833.58
Rhoades Earl	170.28
Roberts, Louis	87.12
Roberts Raymond	27.16
Rosseau, Aurore	11.88
Russell Rover	229.68
Rutanen David	51.95
Yamsel Raymond	954.36
Schoppe Shirley	853.38
Sergool. James	792.00

This list is as of September 30, 1983. Since then, a number of taxpayers have brought their accounts up to date.

Serrenho, Joseph	47.52
Sessler, Judith	248.77
Joseph Serrenho	642.51
J.M. Serrenho	565.29
Shaclumis, Stephen	142.85
Joseph Skowya	1.68
Robert Sherman	5.94
Gergory Smith	362.34
Virginia Snickers	740.52
Harry Sotiropoulos	51.48
Ralph Stanton	83.16
P.+C. Gravel	199.98
Marjorie Stearns	540.54
John Suprenant, John	43.66+1285.02
Robert Sutherland	477.18
David Cantwell	489.06
Mary Thompson	371.22
Helen Topham	235.52
Shelia Trombly	329.28+7.92+13.86
Richard Ullery	7.92
Dancl d Vac ob	13,86
Steven Varnum	891.00
Robert Visneau	625.68
Harold Wait	230.98
Elsie Waite	230.00
Mary Wales	482.13
Willâam Goddard	11.88+. 1.98
Kenneth Weglarz	313.93
Alexander Wemyss	5.94+613.80
Alexander WemyssIII	384.12
Stanley Weston	126.72
Ronald Weston	1531.53
James Whitten	468.08
Kevin Woods	.459.45
Joseph Wozny	5.94
Doris Wright	457.38
Lawrence Sisco	650.43
John Youmell	4.95
Anne Zak	978.12



## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

### School Committee

Harry A. Peters	Term expires 1984
Carter Cooley	Term expires 1985
Frances Tetreault (Mrs.)	Term expires 1986

### Superintendent of Schools

Roland W. Wilson	Brookfield Road, Sturbridge	347-9014
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### School Nurse

Pamela Gentile, R.N.	Holland	245-9855
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### No School Signal

Information will be broadcast over Stations WTAG, WARE, WESO, AND WTIC between 6:30 a.m. and 7:30 a.m.

Transportation of pupils is provided both to the elementary school and high schools by the school committee of each town's elementary school. The decision as to whether it is safe or feasible for buses to run to the high schools is made by the Superintendent of Schools.

### School Committee Meetings

The fourth Tuesday of the month throughout the year at 7:30 p.m. at the elementary school.

### Entrance Age of Pupils to Kindergarten

Five years of age on or before the first of January following the opening of school in September.

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1982

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>K</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Sp. Ed.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Elementary	41	41	28	27	34	36	36	1	244
<u>GRADE</u>		<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>PG</u>	
Tantasqua Junior		47	34	33					114
Tantasqua Senior					40	28	27		95
Tantasqua Vocational				6	4	5	1		<u>16</u>
TOTAL ENROLLMENT									469

## FINANCIAL SHEET FOR 1981-1982

School Appropriations July 1981 - June 1982

\$592,000.00

Expenditures:Administration:

School Committee	608.14
Superintendent's Office	12,134.23

Instruction:

Principal's Salary	25,044.15
Clerical Salary	9,761.10
Principal's Office-Other Expenses	1,299.75
Teachers' Salaries	230,181.77
Substitute Teachers	3,975.00
Teacher Aides - Salaries	9,583.82
Supplies & Materials	8,769.90
Personnel Training & Travel	57.30
Other Expenses-Travel-Art,Music,etc.	-0-
Special Education Salaries (Perceptually Handicapped & Speech)	33,357.52
Textbooks	3,209.19
Library Services	340.34
Audio Visual	645.11
Guidance Services - Salaries	16,380.06
Supplies & Materials-Testing & Speech	1,945.49
Psychological Services	1,292.28

Other School Services:

Attendance	50.00
Health Services	5,997.78

Other School Services: (Continued)

Pupil Transportation	\$ 86,075.39
Late Bus Transportation	7,112.10
Special Education Transportation	23,842.53
Food Services	2,000.00
Field Trips	455.00

Operation & Maintenance of Plant:

Custodial Salaries - School	29,622.69
Supplies & Materials	3,713.79
Fuel	18,774.96
Gas	799.36
Utilities - Adm. Off.	202.23
Utilities - School	16,838.36
Maintenance of Grounds	2,012.58
Maintenance of Building	2,288.76
Maintenance of Equipment - Adm. Off.	358.87
Maintenance of Equipment - School	2,351.26

Acquisition of Fixed Assets:

New Equipment - School	-0-
New Equipment - Library	1,392.12
Replacement of Equipment - Adm. Off.	-0-
Replacement of Equipment - School	-0-

Programs with Other Districts: Regional  
and Private Schools

Special Education Tuition	19,968.96
Vocational Tuition & Transportation	2,441.00

Total Appropriations Expenditures July 1981 - June 1982

\$584,882.89



Estimated State Reimbursements:

Chapter 70	\$98,046.00	
Chapter 71	65,908.00	
Chapter 71a, 58	8,708.00	
Chapter 76, 57, 9	<u>2,680.00</u>	
Total Estimated Reimbursements	\$175,342.00	
Total Expenditures		\$584,882.89
Less Estimated Reimbursements		<u>175,342.00</u>
Cost to Taxpayer		\$409,540.89

1982-1983 Budget

Administration	\$14,681.00	
Instruction	378,692.00	
Other School Services	128,338.00	
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	85,786.00	
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	2,212.00	
Programs with Other Districts, Regional & Private Schools	<u>12,953.00</u>	
Total 1982-1983 Appropriation	\$622,662.00	
*(Special Needs Program included in Budget)		
2000 Instruction	\$38,042.00	
1000,3000,4000 Series	54,688.00	
9000 Programs with other Districts	<u>18,453.00</u>	
	\$111,183.00	

# TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

## Teaching Staff Salaries 1982-1983

<u>Principal</u>	
John Gannon	\$ 27,297.00
<u>Teachers</u>	
Elizabeth Ahern	18,205.21
M. Adrienne Bencivenni	14,390.52
Susan Bernard	15,135.46
Megan Bernier	13,740.64
Denise Ducasse	13,355.73
Anne Dupont	18,531.17
Sandra Gibson	19,397.10
Mary Goodrich (Art-Shared)	6,583.82
Catherine Haley	19,171.17
Carole Mimeault	18,831.17
Paula Remick (Inst. Music-Shared)	1,144.78
Chris Schell	18,651.17
Judith Smith (Music-Shared)	8,378.49
Peter Smith	14,895.46
Frances Souliere	19,397.10
Charles Summers, Jr. (Phys.Ed. Shared)	7,272.13
Virginia Vecchiarelli	12,118.32
Donna Weaver	14,727.13
<u>Speech Therapist</u>	
Elizabeth Plante (shared)	6,252.82
<u>Guidance</u>	
Richard Ervin	17,545.40
<u>Moderate Special Needs</u>	
Ethlyn Dorrington	14,270.23
Paul Szolusha	15,352.06
<u>Nurse</u>	
Pamela Gentile	4,524.17
<u>Principal's Office</u>	
Joan Erban	9,615.00
<u>Teacher Aides</u>	
Marcia Cutler	3.41 hr.
Elizabeth Perrin	3.41 hr.
<u>Special Needs Aide</u>	
Beverly Phiifer	3.41 hr.
<u>Nurse's Aide</u>	
Joan Erban	3.15 hr.
<u>Custodians</u>	
George Moran	5.64 hr.
George Stanton	4.66 hr.
Roger Underwood	4.70 hr.

TANTASQUA & UNION #61 SCHOOL DISTRICTS

1983-84 SCHOOL CALENDAR

September						February					
<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>F</u>		<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>F</u>	
		7	8	9				1	2	3	
12	13	14	15	16	(18)	6	7	8	9	10	(16)
19	20	21	22	23		13	14	15	16	17	
26	27	28	29	30		--	--	--	--	--	
						27	28	29			
October						March					
3	4	5	6	7					1	2	
--	11	12	13	14		5	6	7	8	9	
17	18	19	20	21	(20)	12	13	14	15	16	(22)
24	25	26	27	28		19	20	21	22	23	
31						26	27	28	29	30	
November						April					
	1	2	3	4		2	3	4	5	6	
7	8	9	10	--		9	10	11	12	13	
14	15	16	17	18	(19)	--	--	--	--	--	(16)
21	22	23*	--	--		23	24	25	26	27	
28	29	30				30					
December						May					
			1	2			1	2	3	4	
5	6	7	8	9		7	8	9	10	11	
12	13	14	15	16	(17)	14	15	16	17	18	(22)
19	20	21	22	23		21	22	23	24	25	
--	--	--	--	--		--	29	30	31		
January						June					
	3	4	5	6						1	
9	10	11	12	13	(20)	4	5	6	7	8	(16)
--	17	18	19	20		11	12	13	14	15	
23	24	25	26	27		18	19	20	21	22*	
30	31										

186 days

\* 1/2 Day  
September 6 - Opening Workshop & Preparation  
September 7 - First Full Day of School

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Tantasqua and Union #61 School Districts face some very austere years with the continuing impact of Proposition 2½. Serious impact of this legislation is requiring the reduction of more and more services in our schools. The cumulative impact of these reductions is becoming increasingly apparent. All would agree that reduction of waste, and a general belt tightening is required in the present economy; but we are now at the time when the quality of our schools is suffering.

Financial planning is very necessary. School officials and town officials must work cooperatively to chart the financial future of the community. Advantages of school regionalization must be considered. Financial rewards of regionalization must be studied carefully and advantages and disadvantages weighed carefully. Reimbursements are more and more important to the preservation of necessary school programs. We must research all areas to realize the maximum reimbursements available to us.

Together with sound financial planning we must increase our management efficiency to use available funds to the maximum. Energy saving programs in our schools have on an annual basis saved literally thousands of dollars.

Our primary goal is not financial, but is improvement of instruction. Careful analysis of class offerings is in progress to evaluate the quality of class offerings. Introduction of new courses is not sufficient. We must assess carefully all courses to improve quality. Staff, administration and guidance are performing this task.

Attendance in class and in school is important to the success of the curriculum. Our new attendance policy in its first year of operation has significantly reduced the number of absences and class cuts. While this policy is demanding, it has achieved excellent results. Students are more serious about school attendance. Parental support will make this policy more effective each year.



During the past year our students have been recognized in several areas for excellence. First, eight students were recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Program for outstanding achievement. Two were named semi-finalists and six students were commended. Second, "Passages" our literary magazine won second prize in the New England Scholastic Press Association competition. In the past three years, we have won first place two years and second place this year.

Third, our Freshman math team placed first in competition with area schools in Worcester County. These are a few of the many significant accomplishments of our students.

In curriculum, many significant programs must be mentioned. Sturbridge Elementary's Sturbridge Individual Potential Program is in its fourth year and has been state validated. Two other school systems have adopted this program. The City of Pittsfield and Mendon-Upton Regional are adopter sites. This program designed for gifted students has enjoyed great success under the direction of Mrs. Katherine Enright, Director and John Shelgrove, Principal.

At Wales and Brimfield computer programs, Artist in Residences programs, competition in math, science and history sharpen our curriculum focus. Experience in Mime' and sculpturing broaden the cultural offerings in these schools.

Brimfield, Brookfield, Holland and Wales funded under a Commonwealth Grant from the Department of Education have participated in a in-service program to provide computer awareness.

Personnel changes have occurred in some of our schools. In Brookfield, Carl Batchelder of Sandown, New Hampshire, became Principal of Brookfield Elementary replacing William Martel who retired in June of 1982. Mr. Batchelder served as Principal of the Nottingham Elementary School before coming to Brookfield.

Mr. Philip Wye, Principal of Tantasqua Junior High, has announced his

retirement in June 1984. Mr. Wye has been Principal of Tantasqua Junior High since December 1, 1974. I look forward to working with Mr. Wye who will be attached to my office during the coming year.

Finally, I must take this opportunity to thank the communities for their support of our schools and programs. My personal thanks to the staff and administration for their loyalty and support during these difficult times for education.

Respectfully submitted,

Roland W. Wilson  
Superintendent of Schools

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DEGREE</u>	<u>YRS. SERV. BRIMFIELD</u>	<u>TOTAL SERVICE</u>
Superintendent	Roland W. Wilson	B.S., M.Ed., Worc. State Doct. Study/U. Conn.	16	28
Asst. Superintendent	John J. Welch	B.S., Boston University M.A., Framingham State Ed.D., Boston College	1	13
Asst. Superintendent Business & Finance	William J. Utess	B.S., MBA, American Int. College	14	14
Principal	John Gannon	B.S., M.A., Worcester State	3	17
Kindergarten	Denise Ducasse	B.A., Anna Maria College	1	7
Grade 1	Carole Mimeault	B.A., Univ. Mass.	13	13
Grade 1	Frances Souliere	B.A., M.A., Coll. of Lady of Elms	24	29
Grade 2	Megan Bernier	B.S., Worcester State	2	2
Grade 2	Susan Bernard	B.S., Worcester State	6	6
Grade 3	Virginia Vecchiarelli	B.S., Fitchburg State	0	0
Grade 3	Anne Dupont	B.A., Northwestern University	14	14
Grade 4	Adrienne Bencivenni	B.S., Russell Sage College/Troy, NY	1	14
Grade 4	Donna Weaver	B.S.E., Westfield State	3	4
Grade 5	Sandra Gibson	B.S., Bridgewater State M.A., Worcester State	14	14
Grade 5	Elizabeth Ahern	B.S., Westfield State	18	18
Grade 6	Peter Smith	B.A., Univ. Mass.	6	6
Grade 6	Chris B. Schell	BBA, Univ. Mass. M.A., Worcester State	13	14

Music	Judith Smith	B.M., Barrington College	5	6
Remedial Reading	Catherine Haley	B.A., Univ. Mass. M. Ed., American Int. College	1	24
Art	Mary Goodrich	B.S., Univ. New Hampshire	14	18
Psychologist	Richard R. Ervin	B.S., Univ. Mass. M.A./CAGS, Assumption College	3	12
Physical Education	Charles Summers, Jr.	B.S., Springfield College	2	3
Speech Therapist	Elizabeth Plante	B.S., Worcester State	3	5
Instrumental Music	Paula Remick	B.M., Ithaca College, N.Y.	1	5
Mod. Special Needs	Paul Szolusha	B.A., Purdue University	5	5
Mod. Special Needs	Ethlyn Dorrington	B.A., Boston College	4	4



# School Union 61

BRIMFIELD - BROOKFIELD - HOLLAND - STURBRIDGE - WALES



Brimfield Elementary School

Wales Road

Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010

JOHN T. GANNON  
PRINCIPAL

TEL. 245-7337  
AREA CODE 413

During the past year, the Brimfield Elementary School has witnessed some significant changes in its educational program. The most significant has been the reduction in staff. During mid-year, the school saw a reduction in the services to children.

As a result of these reductions, our school saw a sharp increase in parent involvement. The volunteer program, coordinated by Mrs. Haley, was instrumental in keeping library services available to children last year. Volunteers also played a role in assisting teachers at recess.

Our staff is to be congratulated on the creativity employed in assisting youngsters effectively during the midst of the reduction.

This past year saw a continuation of solid curriculum growth in the areas of language and reading. Specifically, an alternative reading program was installed to address the needs of children who have difficulty learning to read phonetically. This was completed under the leadership of Mrs. Haley, our reading teacher. Also, the sixth graders displayed a more active writing program. This is evident by the recent publication of "Let It Be".

In the area of special programs, fourth graders under the guidance of Mrs. Weaver and Mrs. Bencivenni participated in an Archaeological Dig with the help of Dr. John Worrell and the Old Sturbridge staff. Hopefully this program will be continued on a yearly basis. The PreSchool Program was again well attended by children and parents. It received a great deal of help from staff and volunteers. The "Great Books" Program, for gifted readers in grades 5 and 6, was expanded to grade 4. The Cape Cod Outdoor Education Program was again successful due to the support from the entire community. We thank everyone for their financial support.

In the area of energy conservation, the school made significant strides under the direction of Mr. George Moran, Custodian. The school completed an energy audit, funded by Massachusetts Department of Energy. This audit will serve to guide us in being more energy efficient. Town monies were used to install new thermal windows on the north side of the old building. This should lead to significant gains in energy consumption, as well as enhancing the beauty of the building.

Finally, I would like to thank parents, Friends of Brimfield Elementary School, staff, administrators and the School Committee for working together to better serve the children of Brimfield.

Respectfully submitted,

John T. Gannon  
Principal

REPORT OF THE  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The year ended June 30, 1983 presented increasing challenges to the school committee. Most of these challenges involved the conflict between the desire and obligation of the school committee to provide the opportunity for a quality education for all the children of Brimfield and the financial cost of doing so. The financial challenge is complicated by conflicting state laws which require the town to pay for the cost of "special needs" education thru the elementary school budget without limiting those costs at the same time that other state laws limit the total amount of income the town can raise by taxation.

One result of these conflicting laws took place at the special town meeting of January 17, 1983 when the voters, based on the financial status of the town as presented and the tax limitation laws, reduced the elementary school budget for the year ending June 30, 1983 by \$8,000. Because the projected cost of vocational and special needs programs had increased from the original budget of \$20,953 to \$41,799, the impact on the rest of the school budget was cuts totaling \$28,846. These cuts affected every area of the budget, including reducing personnel.

A budget for the year ending June 30, 1984 which provided services comparable to those of the original budget for the year ended June 30, 1983 plus the increased vocational and special needs costs would be \$708,286. In an effort to meet the tax limitations of "proposition 2 1/2", the school committee presented (and the voters approved) a budget of \$639,281. The \$69,005 difference includes cuts in teaching staff and other personnel plus other items which affect each child in the school.

The state Department of Education is suing the school committee to require payment of certain special needs costs for a non-resident child. The school committee, based on legal advice, believes Brimfield is not financially responsible for these costs. These costs are projected at an annual rate of about \$33,000 and are retroactive to January, 1983. There is nothing in the budget for these costs. Obviously, paying these costs would have a severe impact on the school budget.

As we face the future challenges of providing Brimfield children with quality educational opportunities within the financial restrictions imposed, we are encouraged by the positive response of people such as those volunteers who enable us to keep the school library open and all the other people whose continuing conscientious and dedicated efforts help to provide an education for the children of Brimfield. These people include Superintendent Roland Wilson and his staff, our teaching staff, our teacher aides and learning disability tutors, Mrs. Alma Howlett and her cafeteria staff, chief custodian George Moran and his staff, Richard Souliere and his bus drivers, and the Friends of Brimfield Elementary School members and supporters. The committee appreciates the support shown by each of these people and by all of the people of Brimfield.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harry Peters, Chairman  
Carter Cooley, Secretary  
Frances Tetreault, Tantasqua  
Representative





TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010

REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

There were no hearings before the Board.

Applications for hearings are available at the office of the Town Clerk.

The Board has only three powers:

1. To hear appeals from decisions of the Zoning Officer.
2. To grant special permits for uses specially permittable by the Zoning By-law.
3. To grant variances to qualified applicants under the conditions of the Zoning By-law. Under our law, use variances are not allowed, only dimensional variances.

The Board has no employees, but contracts for addressing, mailing, and stenographic services. Salaries of Board members are zero.

Respectfully submitted,

George C. Gross, Chairman

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

In addition to routine maintenance of the cemetery, 18 burials were performed and 11 foundations constructed. All roads within the cemetery were oiled.

The total amount spent for perpetual care was \$1192. The total town appropriation of \$2755 was spent.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Phifer  
Cemetery Supt.

Brimfield Ambulance Service, Inc.  
Annual Report

From the vantage point of late 1983 we can look back on two successful years of operation and growth for the Brimfield Ambulance Service, Inc. Our business practices have proved sound enough to allow us to offer the three towns we serve a 4% reduction in their assessments for next year.

The learning process continues. Last September it was aided by a serious and tragic tractor-trailer accident in Brimfield, which resulted in a heroic joint rescue effort by EMT's, fire personnel, state and local police, hospital staffs, physicians and an Army National Guard medical helicopter - working together in a way that inspired all who were there. The doctors who participated commended the emergency personnel for their professionalism and dedication. A critique meeting afterwards gave us new insight into stocking reserve supplies, some equipment it would be helpful to have, and procedures to keep sharp. Another offshoot has been a series of monthly EMT informational meetings planned by Linda Collette, for which the state has agreed to give ten hours of EMT credit per year.

A number of people have given us memorial gifts this year, a practice we hope will grow since it enables us to add helpful pieces of equipment beyond the basics. In April, for example, we were able to buy a Stair-chair as a memorial gift - an invaluable device for carrying patients on difficult stairs and in narrow passageways.

In '82 and '83 we sponsored one EMT training course and co-sponsored another with the Donald Wicher Association of Sturbridge, which produced welcome additions to our crews. Jim Whitten resigned as one of our full-time employees in March, at which time we reorganized the daytime positions, making Linda Collette Office Manager and hiring Steve Denning as our EMT-Mechanic. Our expanded EMT numbers made it necessary to add to our supply of pagers. Steve Denning completed research begun by Jim Whitten and Joe Hopkins and was authorized in April to order six new Motorola units. Raising funds to replace the front-line ambulance continues as one of our greatest needs. We ran four concessions at last September's Fiddlers' Contest and Craft Fair, which netted us \$874.54, and our three booths at this year's Fair earned us \$312.96. Christmas-time and Flea Market Raffles, plus donations for blood-pressure checks at the Flea Markets, have brought in small amounts. And in July Julie Spooner opened an "Encore Shop" on her property for the benefit of the ambulance fund. This is a small store she has created and staffed herself, stocked with second-hand books and crafts made by herself and residents of the elderly housing units. We also put into savings any net income from the rental of the back-up ambulance for hillclimbs.

In July the Board filled the Director's position vacated by Ward Cox by appointing Robert Hanna to serve until the Annual Meeting, at which time the election of all Officers and Directors, as well as six new members of the Corporation, took place.



The state Department of Public Health invited us to send a representative to a panel which would attempt to develop guidelines for rural ambulance services. This met in August. Linda Collette participated and was pleased to find that we were already operating in accordance with all the procedures they recommended.

We have been helped along our way by many kind and supportive people, and we would like to express here our appreciation to the many town officials, businesses and individuals of Holland, Wales and Brimfield who have donated so generously their time, effort and resources to benefit the ambulance service. Special thanks are due the County Line Hardware and Cindy and Bob Clark who give volunteer coverage of the emergency phone when the day-time crew is out on call.

As we considered the recommendation on running the service that we had promised to have ready by the time of the 1983 Town Meeting, we concluded that if asked we would speak for continuing the present form. Blessed by a dedicated and skillful group of EMT's, this seems to work very well.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Bennett  
Charlotte Corry  
Robert Hanna  
Ann Lincoln  
Juliane Spooner  
Board of Directors

For the year ended June 30, 1983:

Total Operating Revenue	\$ 60,168.33
Total Operating Expenses	57,210.91
Ambulance Fund Revenue	3,185.81
(donations, interest, fund-raising, etc., which is saved toward the purchase of our next ambulance)	

## REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

As the Finance Committee began deliberations for fiscal year 1984, August Demiranda was elected chairman; Richard Siewick, Vice Chair; and Pamela E. Beall, Secretary. Early in the year we accepted the resignation of Robert Christo who had served the committee and the town ably for many years. New members Robert Joyce and Richard Provost were received.

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1983, \$4617 was transferred from the Reserve Fund to cover emergency requirement: \$1000 to Assessor's Clerk Account (Feb. 11, 1983); \$2000 to Snow Removal/Overtime Account; \$800 to Town Hall Account; \$200 to Finance Committee Expense Account (May 16, 1983); \$50 to Finance Committee Expense Account (June 27, 1983); \$67 to Assessors Clerk Account (June 27, 1983). The Reserve Fund balance (\$10,383) reverts to the General Fund.

During our review of the town warrant for annual meeting in June 1983, the Finance Committee was impressed with the needs and requirements of several town departments, notably the Highway Department. Needed equipment, attention to physical plant, and services had been underfunded for several years due to inflation and tax limitation. Tight budgets will not disappear in the years to come.

Your attendance at public hearings and at town meetings is encouraged. The decisions that affect us all are difficult ones to make; in the end it is the voters that make them.

Respectfully,

James A. Adams, JR.  
pamela E. Beall, Secretary (\$50)  
August DeMiranda, Chairman  
Carol Jensen

Robert Joyce  
Jacques Mathieu  
Richard Provost  
Richard Siewick, Vice Chair

## REPORT OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

During the period July 1, 1982 to June 30, 1983, the following was done:

42 permits were issued

28 new homes

13 alterations and additions

5 accessory buildings

2 wood stoves

3 building removals

1 other

Fees: \$1,235.

Respectfully submitted,  
James Mullane

## REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

1983 has been a very active and educational year for the Conservation Commission. Much time has been spent on 61A The Agricultural Preservation and Restriction Act and the Forest Cutting Practices Act which now requires a notice and copies of the cutting plans be sent to the Conservation Commission and abutters.

Two members attended the Annual Meeting of M.A.C.C. in March and reported on the Revised Wetlands Act and the changes in the Forestry Act.

The resignation of our excellent secretary, Suzanne Phifer, was accepted with great regret.

Mrs. Powers has done a superb job of uniting all the Conservation Commissions along the Quaboag River to work for state designation of the Quaboag as a scenic river. Organizational meetings were held in Brimfield, Palmer, Warren, West Brookfield, etc. The crowning event of the season was a canoe trip down the river from Brookfield to Warren. The number of canoeists passed all expectations and a few came from outside areas.

As in former years the commission sponsored a child from Grade 6 in the Elementary School to the Cape Cod Outdoor Education Program.

Respectfully submitted,  
BRIMFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Helen E. Sweeney  
Herman J. Haven  
Gerald J. Morin  
Henry L. Pelletier

Cynthia Powers  
William Pratt  
Marcia Starkey, Assoc. mem.

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

July 1, 1982 - June 30, 1983

November 11, 1982  
Cheney Lawrence \$100.  
Removed Several trees on Little Rest Road.

November 30, 1982  
Northern Tree \$330.  
Work on removing trees on Warren Road, Town Common and trimming on Haynes Hill Road. Removing trees on Brookfield Road.

June 28 to July 1, 1983  
Northern Tree \$365.  
Tree Removal on Little Alum Road, Sixth Street, Dix Hill Road, Tower Hill Road, and Warren Road.

Total of \$795.

Submitted by,  
Henry L. Pellitier  
Tree Warden

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

During the year the usual maintenance was performed on all roads. Brush cutting, patching, and all gravel roads were graded when needed.

In the Chapter 351 account the town received \$28,001 from the state and \$9,334 was appropriated at Town meeting making a total of \$37,335. \$11,950.32 was expended on road oiling, 21,000 ft. on various roads. A section of Type I paving was applied on Warren Road (10,587.11) and on Brookfield Road. \$14,797.57 was spent on paving under Chapter 732 the State awarded \$16,727 and \$5,575 was appropriated by the town.

Four major drainage projects were completed at a cost of \$17,000. A balance of \$5,202 remains and will be used for drainage this spring.

The stone Bridge that was vandalized on Sutcliffe Road was repaired by Ray Brisette and the highway dept. and was completely paid for by the state force fund account money.

Submitted by John Sherman  
Highway Superintendant

## CIVIL DEFENCE REPORT

1983-1984

Projects papers were prepared again this year to keep Brimfield eligible for excess properties.

We have received word that the two vehicles will soon be given to the town by the Federal Government. These vehicles have been kept up.

Our radiological equipment has been checked and updated by Mass Civil Defence.

We have been assured, by the Selectmen, that we will have a place to store all the Civil Defence equipment.

I would like to thank all those who helped me this past year, especially Mr. Richard Raymond.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Coto  
Civil Defence Director



## ACTION TAKEN AT TOWN MEETINGS

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, January 17, 1983

Article 1. Voted to take no action on this article to rescind any or all actions taken at the 1982 Annual Town Meeting on Article 2 pertaining to salaries for the Town Officers for the Fiscal Year 1983.

Article 2. Voted to take no action on this article to rescind the action taken at the 1982 Annual Town Meeting on Article 4, the disposition of the Dog Fund.

Article 3. Voted to take no action on this article to rescind action taken at the 1982 Annual Town Meeting on Article 3, whereby the voters approved the appropriation of \$375 for Civil Defense.

Article 4. Voted to take no action on this article to rescind action taken at the Annual Town Meeting of 1982 on Article 10, whereby the voters approved the appropriation of \$9,334 for improvement of roads.

Article 5. Voted to take no action on this article to rescind action taken at the 1982 Annual Town Meeting on Article 12, whereby voters approved that the sum of \$5,575 be R&A for improvement of roads.

Article 6. Voted to take no action on this article to rescind action taken at the 1982 Annual Town Meeting on Article 20, whereby voters approved the appropriation of \$290 (From Revenue Sharing) to be used for Home Care Service.

Article 7. Voted to take no action on this article to rescind action taken at the 1982 Annual Town Meeting on Article 26, whereby the voters approved the transfer from Revenue Sharing of \$16,000 to provide ambulance service.

Article 8. Voted that the sum of \$16,600 be rescinded as appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting and that the sum of \$4900 be R&A and the sum of \$11,700 be transferred from Overlay Surplus to be used together for the purpose stated in the original article.

Article 9. Voted that no action be taken on the article to rescind action at the 1982 Annual Town Meeting on Article 32, whereby the voters approved the appropriation of \$100 for salary for the Dog Officer.

Article 10. Voted to rescind \$100 from Article 34, of the Annual town meeting for expenses related to drawing up plans for the renovation of the lower town hall.

Article 11. Voted to rescind \$18,000 from Article 38 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1982 for the purpose of legal action against the proposed Hazardous Waste Plant proposed in Warren and that the sum of \$12,000 be transferred from Free cash for the purpose stated in the article.

Article 12. Voted that the budget as voted in Article 41 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1982 be accepted that, for the following accounts, the sums to be R&A are as follows:

- Account 119, Town Counsel Expense \$1,000 (reduced by \$1200)
- Account 122, Town Reports \$1000 (reduced by \$500)
- Account 205, Fire Department Expense \$8100 (reduced by \$900)
- Account 303, Board of Health Expense \$1472 (reduced by \$1200)
- Account 310, Recreation Committee Expense \$200 (reduced by \$1,000)
- Account 314, County Retirement \$15,474 (reduced by \$2,400)
- Account 504/2, Highway Snow Removal Overtime \$4,500 (reduced by \$3000)
- Account 601, Town Hall \$4990 (reduced by \$2000)
- Account 602, Town Barn \$4610 (reduced by \$2000)
- Elementary School \$622,662 (reduced by \$8000) and Tantasqua Regional High School \$405,341 (reduced by \$15,312) and that the sum of \$6,000 from Free Cash be applied to the Elementary School Budget.

Article 13. Voted to rescind action of Article 42 of the annual town meeting which approved the addition of \$20,000 to the Stabilization Fund.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING June 20, 1983

Article 1. Motion to approve the article as stated in the warrant by the Planning Board regarding Flea Markets in the agricultural-residential area to stay open the same extent as permitted in the business district was defeated by two votes as it is an amendment to the zoning by-laws and needed a two thirds majority of the vote to pass. The vote was 50 for and 28 against with a total of 78, which meant that at least 52 had to vote for the article in order for it to pass.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING June 20, 1983

Article 1. Voted to approve the reports of the town officers and agents of the town without reading except to direct the assessors to post an evaluation list as stated in Article 23 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 1981 as soon as possible.

Article 2. Voted to increase the elected town officers salaries as noted on the budget sheets and to increase the Town clerk to \$2600, Treasurer to \$3500 and the Tax Collector to \$3000.

Article 3. Voted to approve the budget and amended changes.

Article 4. Voted that the sum of \$18,478.13 be R&A for unpaid bills.

Article 5. Voted that \$54,000 be transferred from Free Cash to unpaid bills from previous years.

Article 6. Voted that no action be taken regarding purchasing a highway cab and chasis.

Article 7. Voted that no action be taken regarding purchasing a highway sander.

Article 8. Voted that no action be taken regarding purchasing a highway plow.

Article 9. Voted that \$15,360 be R&A for ambulance service for fiscal year 1984.

Article 10. Voted to R&A \$15,000 to the Brimfield Legal Committee for Human Health & Safety.

Article 11. Voted that the sum of \$6,600 be R&A to purchase compensation insurance.

Article 12. Voted that the town accept Section 42A of Chapter 48 of the General Laws and that Fire Department Appointments be conducted by the Selectment as stated in the article.

Article 13. Voted to take no action on this article to purchase a fire truck.

Article 14. Voted to R&A \$4,000 to purchase three (3) new fire air packs and rebuild those now on hand.

Article 15. Voted to R&A \$1800 to hire a private contractor to clean out water holes.

Article 16. Voted to R&A \$1100 to install three (3) dog runs on town property at the highway garage.

Article 17. Voted to R&A \$1000 for the construction of offices in the Town Hall.

Article 18. Voted to R&A \$300 to print the Town By-Laws through December 31, 1983.

Article 19. Voted to R&A \$9070 for the improvement of town roads.

Article 20. Voted to R&A \$5,575 for the purpose of being used in conjunction with any funds allocated by the Commonwealth for the construction, reconstruction and improvement of town roads.

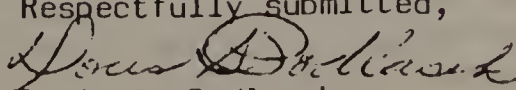
Article 21. Voted to take no action on this article regarding fire department appointments as the town voted to accept Article 12 of this town meeting.

Article 22. Voted to R&A \$375 for civil defense.



- Article 23. Voted to R&A \$188 for home Care Services to the elderly.
- Article 24. Voted to R&A \$800 for state aid to the use of the Library.
- Article 25. Voted that the Dog Fund be appropriated to the use of the Library.
- Article 26. Voted to R&A \$1450 for correcting electrical wiring deficiencies in the library.
- Article 27. Voted to authorize the Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of Revenue.
- Article 28. Voted to authorize the Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of reimbursement.
- Article 29. Voted to authorize Selectmen to sell Tax Title Property at public auction.
- Article 30. Voted to authorize Selectmen to dispose of the 1973 pick-up truck at their discretion.
- Article 31. Voted to accept Section 4G of Chapter 40 of the General Laws to permit the town to purchase equipment, supplies and materials having a value of \$4000 without bidding.
- Article 32. Voted to R&A \$13,000 to the Stabilization Fund.
- Article 33. Voted to R&A \$3,600 to replace one door in the highway garage and perform preventive maintenance on the others at the Town Barn and Fire Station.
- Article 34. Voted that no action be taken on this article to remove the public telephone at the town common.
- Article 35. This article was defeated to change the town by laws as to the length of the term for the Selectmen.
- Article 36. Voted to take no action on this article regarding implementation of article 35.
- Article 37. Voted to take no action regarding notification of Special Town Meetings.
- Article 38. Voted to accept Section 12B of Chapter 138 of the General Laws prohibiting nude entertainment on premises licensed to serve alcoholic beverages.
- Article 39. Voted to take no action regarding notification of Annual Town Meetings.
- Article 40. Voted that no action be taken regarding change of publication of by-laws.
- Article 41. Voted that the sum of \$15,875 be transferred from the Flea Market Revolving Fund to reduce the tax rate in Fiscal 1984 and that the sum of \$875 be transferred to police expense.
- Article 42. Voted that no action be taken regarding this article for flea market police costs.
- Article 43. Voted that the town sell one chandelier from the Town Hall attic to the Hitchcock Academy for the sum of \$1.00 provided that it be used only at the academy building.
- Article 44. Voted that no action be taken regarding an executive secretary for the town.
- Article 45. Voted that town accept the grange funds as stated in the article accept that said funds are to be administrated by the Library Trustees.
- Article 46. Voted to transfer \$1500 from the parking ticket clerk revolving fund to the General fund to lower the tax rate.
- Article 47. Voted to take no action on this article regarding emergency bridge repair.

Salary \$2,600.00

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Doris S. Podlasek  
Town Clerk



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
01010

TOWN WARRANT  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, ss

TO THE TOWN CLERK OF BRIMFIELD, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield on MONDAY, the SEVENTH day of November 1983 at 7:30PM to act on the following:

Article 1: To see if the Town will authorize the Town Clerk to petition the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to amend Section 139 of Chapter 140 Massachusetts General Laws to provide that money collected from issuance of dog licenses be retained and turned into the general fund of said community and not be turned over to the county treasurers as stated in paragraph one of said section, or take any relative action thereto.  
Sponsored by Selectmen

Article 2: To see if the town will approve of joining with the town of Holland on an equal basis for the purpose of constructing a dog pound. Final plans and potential costs to be submitted to the voters at the next annual town meeting or take any other action thereon.  
Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Article 3: To see if the Town of Brimfield will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$10,645 to pay increased Special Education Tuitions or take any other action thereon.  
Sponsored by the Brimfield School Committee.

Article 4: To see if the Town of Brimfield will vote to join with the Towns of Holland and Wales on equal standing in the State funded SHARED ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT PROGRAM for six months or greater as long as the salary for the position is fully funded, by voting to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$1,000 for a third of the cost of expenses incidental to the salary or take any other action thereon.  
Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,250 to complete the renovation and refurbishing of departmental offices within the Town Hall or take any other action thereon.  
Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ to patch the roof of the Town Hall and repair fallen plaster within as a result of water damage or take any other action thereon.  
Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen



Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$10,000 from Revenue Sharing Funds for the purpose of mixing pug mix to be used for patching Town and private roads or take any other action thereon.  
Submitted by Richard Marble

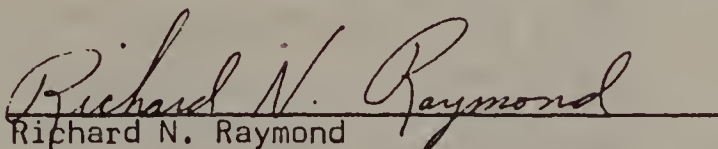
Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to use a sum of money from free cash to reduce the tax rate or take any other action thereon.  
Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

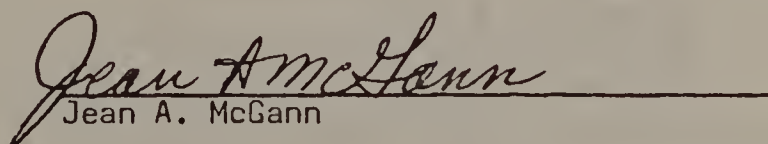
And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in at least three public places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the times and place of meeting and election aforesaid.

Given under our hand this 17th day of OCTOBER 1983.

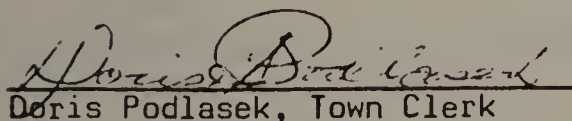
SELECTMEN OF BRIMFIELD

  
Richard N. Raymond

  
Jean A. McGann

  
Robert H. St. Clair

A true copy ATTEST

  
Doris Podlasek, Town Clerk

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## INFORMATION FOR BRIMFIELD RESIDENTS

### Business Hours of Town Offices

#### and Committees

Town Clerk	Mondays 7:30 to 9:00 at Town Hall Hours by Appointment at the Town Clerk's home
Town Treasurer	Monday evening at the Town Hall 7:00-8:00
Town Accountant	Monday evening at the Town Hall
Collector of Taxes	Monday evening 7:00 to 9:00 at the Town Hall
Board of Assessors	First and third Monday Evening 7:00-9:00 at the Town Hall
Police Department	Monday evening 7:00-9:00 at the Town Hall
Board of Selectmen	Monday evening 7:30 at the Town Hall
Conservation Commission	First Tuesday of the month at the Town Hall
Planning Board	First Wednesday of the month at 7:30 at the Town Hall
Building Inspector	Monday evening 7:00 at the Town Hall
Library Trustees	First Monday of the month at 7:30 at the Library
Board of Health	First Thursday of the month at 8:00 at the Town Hall
Council on Aging	First Tuesday of the month at 7:30 at the Hitchcock Academy except July & August
Elementary School Committee	Fourth Tuesday of the month at the Brimfield Elementary School
Tantasqua Regional School Committee	Third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 at the Library of Tantasqua Junior High School





LIBRARY  
PUBLIC  
LIBRARY

# ANNUAL REPORT

To The

## TOWN OF BRIMFIELD



Including Receipts & Expenditures  
for the  
Fiscal Period Ending June 30, 1984

GOVERNMENTAL INFORMATION

Brimfield is included in the:

Second Congressional District  
Seventh Councillor District  
Worcester - Franklin - Hampden -  
Hampshire Senatorial District  
First Hampden Representative  
District

U. S. Senators are: Edward T. Kennedy  
John S. Kerry

Congressman, 2nd District is:  
Edward P. Boland, Springfield

State Senator is: Robert D. Wetmore, Barre

Representative to General Court is:  
William Moriarty, Ware

County Commissioners are:  
Thomas J. O'Connor, Chairman  
Leonard J. Collamore  
Richard Thomas

# TOWN OFFICERS - 1984

	Term Expires
TOWN CLERK	
Doris S. Podlasek . . . . .	1985
MODERATOR	
Johnstone Prescott. . . . .	1985
TREASURER	
Joan A. Erban . . . . .	1985
TAX COLLECTOR	
Diane McIntosh, resigned Sue Sutherland appointed . . . . .	1985
SELECTMEN	
Richard N. Raymond, Chairman. . . . .	1985
Jean A. McGann. . . . .	1985
Robert H. St.Clair. . . . .	1985
Carole Goodspeed, Secretary	
ASSESSORS	
Richard Starkey, Chairman . . . . .	1985
Anne Dutka. . . . .	1987
James E. Killian. . . . .	1986
SCHOOL COMMITTEE	
Harry A. Peters, Jr., Chairman. . . . .	1987
Carter Cooley . . . . .	1985
Frances Tetreault . . . . .	1986
TANTASQUA REG. DIST. SCHOOL COMMITTEE	
Lee W. Adams. . . . .	1987
Michael P. Koprowski. . . . .	1987
BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH	
Clayton L. Thomas, M.D., Chairman . . . . .	1985
Edward J. Killian . . . . .	1986
Lawrence Lowenthal. . . . .	1987
CEMETERY COMMISSION	
James A. Adams, Sr. . . . .	1986
Llewellyn B. Norton . . . . .	1985
Henry Pelletier . . . . .	1987
Michael Phifer, Cemetery Superintendent	
HOUSING AUTHORITY	
Alice M. Adams (State Appointee). . . . .	1986
Grace G. Stuart, Chairman . . . . .	1989
Llewellyn B. Norton . . . . .	1985

Term Expires

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

John O. Curtis. . . . .	1987
Joseph DiFabio. . . . .	1985
Charlotte Day Hudson. . . . .	1986
Nancy Prescott. . . . .	1986
Sally Siewick . . . . .	1987
Phyllis Stearns . . . . .	1985

TREE WARDEN

Henry Pelletier . . . . .	1985
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CONSTABLES

Charles McGann. . . . .	1988
Donald B. Norton. . . . .	1988
William F. Roberts. . . . .	1988
John H. Stanton . . . . .	1988
Charles A. Modugno. . . . .	1988

TRUSTEES - HARRIET HARDING FUND

Alice Adams . . . . .	1986
Edward J. Killian . . . . .	1985
Bruce Bennett . . . . .	1987

PLANNING BOARD

E. Clarke Brown . . . . .	1985
Dennis A. McCurdy . . . . .	1986
David Killian . . . . .	1987
Edward J. Killian . . . . .	1989
Susan E. Sutherland . . . . .	1988

TRUSTEES - LINCOLN LIBRARY FUND

Julianne Spooner. . . . .	1987
Llewellyn B. Norton . . . . .	1985
Marcia D. Starkey . . . . .	1986



# APPOINTED OFFICERS

Term Expires

## TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Roland E. Chaffee . . . . . 1985

## HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

John L. Sherman . . . . . 1985

## FIRE CHIEF

Michael Wales . . . . . 1985

## POLICE CHIEF

Victor C. Milani . . . . . 1985

## SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT PEST CONTROL

David M. Killian . . . . . 1985

## MEASURER OF WOOD & BARK

Cheney L. Lawrence . . . . . 1985

## FIELD DRIVERS

Gerard Morin . . . . . 1985

Neil Stalker . . . . . 1985

Joe Killian . . . . . 1985

## FENCE VIEWERS

Gerard Morin . . . . . 1985

Neil Stalker . . . . . 1985

Joe Killian . . . . . 1985

## DOG OFFICER

Earl Cote . . . . . 1985

## TOWN COUNSEL

Michael J. Morrill . . . . . 1985

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Pamela Beall . . . . . 1987

Richard Provost . . . . . 1987

Douglas Kenyon . . . . . 1987

Judy O'Donnell . . . . . 1986

Jacques Mathieu . . . . . 1986

Richard Siewick . . . . . 1985

Baker Brown . . . . . 1985

James Adams . . . . . 1985

S. Bradford Powers . . . . . 1986

## BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Jacqueline Modugno . . . . . 1987

Grace Stuart . . . . . 1986

Patricia Lawrence . . . . . 1985

APPOINTED OFFICERS  
(continued)

Term Expires

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Lester Dutka. . . . .	1987
George Gross, Chairman. . . . .	1986
Richard Demetrius . . . . .	1985

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Michael Koprowski . . . . .	1986
Perry Weston. . . . .	1985

BUILDING INSPECTOR

James Mullane . . . . .	1985
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ZONING OFFICER

James Mullane . . . . .	1985
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CIVIL DEFENSE

Robert Coto, Director . . . . .	1985
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INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Nickolas DiGregorio . . . . .	1986
James Mullane . . . . .	1985
Robert Coto . . . . .	1985
David Hall. . . . .	1988
Paul Aloia. . . . .	1987

TRI-TOWN RECREATION COMMITTEE

Bob and Karen Bergstrom, Chairman. . . . .	1985
Lynn and Ken Lacey . . . . .	1985
Nilla and Ray Ciesluk. . . . .	1985
Elaine and Ron Hevey . . . . .	1985
Jane and Tom Clay. . . . .	1985
Diane and Ron Heagney. . . . .	1985
B.J. and John Miller . . . . .	1985
Ed Paige . . . . .	1985
Robin and Eric Bren. . . . .	1985
Marilyn and Fred Kozyra. . . . .	1985

CONVERSATION COMMISSION

Cindy Powers, Chairman. . . . .	1987
Helen Sweeney . . . . .	1987
Gerard Morin. . . . .	1987
Carol Porter. . . . .	1986
Henry Pelletier . . . . .	1986
William Pratt . . . . .	1985
Herman Haven. . . . .	1985
Marcia Starkey, Assoc. Member . . . . .	1985

BUILDING INSPECTOR BOARD OF APPEALS

Richard May . . . . .	1985
John Hilker . . . . .	1985
Walter Koslowski. . . . .	1985

APPOINTED OFFICERS  
(continued)

TERM EXPIRES

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

Johnstone Prescott. . . . .	1985
Edward Clark. . . . .	1985
Francis Langevin. . . . .	1985
Robert Joyce. . . . .	1985
Dennis McCurdy. . . . .	1985
Ted Skowyra . . . . .	1985
Bernard Samek . . . . .	1985
James Adams, Jr.. . . . .	1985

BY-LAW COMMITTEE

George B. Adams (Selectmen's Appointee) . . . . .	1985
James M. French (Moderator's Appointee) . . . . .	1985

PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Roger Vincent, Southbridge(Appointed by the Board of Health .	1985
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GAS INSPECTOR

Roger Vincent . . . . .	1985
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ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

Sumner Barr . . . . .	1985
Charles Mack, Assistant . . . . .	1985

TOWN HALL CUSTODIAN

Walter Koslowski. . . . .	1985
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CARETAKER AT COMMON

Johnstone Prescott. . . . .	1985
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HISTORICAL/ARTS COMMISSION

Crawford Lincoln. . . . .	1987
Elaine Hayes. . . . .	1986
Helene Lindblad . . . . .	1985
John Curtis . . . . .	1985

AGENT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Lyman Stanton . . . . .	1985
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ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Lyman Stanton . . . . .	1985
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COUNCIL ON AGING

Elmer Deering . . . . .	1985
Harriet Freeman . . . . .	1985
Florence Gendreau . . . . .	1985
Doris Kryzminski. . . . .	1985
Helene Yeames . . . . .	1985
Dolly Moore . . . . .	1986
Frank McLeish, Chairman . . . . .	1986
Vernon Heipler. . . . .	1986
Pearl McLeish . . . . .	1986
Grace Stuart. . . . .	1986
Lucy Manna. . . . .	1986
Frank Sweeney . . . . .	1986

APPOINTED OFFICERS  
(continued)

TERM EXPIRES

COUNCIL ON AGING ADVISORY MEMBERS

Marge Bergstrom . . . . . 1985

TOWN SECESSION COMMITTEE

Brad Powers . . . . .	1985
Larry Lowenthal . . . . .	1985
Ron Heagney . . . . .	1985
Robert H. St. Clair - pro tem. . . . .	1985
Dr. Thomas Clay . . . . .	1985
Richard May . . . . .	1985
Robert Christo. . . . .	1985
Jim Hopkins . . . . .	1985
Dr. Elizabeth Smola . . . . .	1985
Cindy Clark . . . . .	1985
Victor Milani. . . . .	1985



## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

### Licenses issued for the Division of Fisheries and Game

63	Resident Fishing
18	Resident Hunting
46	Resident Sporting
5	Resident Minor Fishing
9	Non-Resident Citizen/Alien Fishing
40	Resident Sporting (Free)
4	Resident Sporting (age 65 - 69)
20	Archery Stamps

### DOGS LICENSED

20	Males @ \$4.00	\$ 80.00
25	Males @ \$10.00	250.00
50	Females @ \$4.00	200.00
8	Females @ \$10.00	80.00
		<u>\$610.00</u>

Less Clerks Fees	
103 @ 75¢	<u>77.25</u>

Paid to Treasurer	\$532.75
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### BRIEF ABSTRACT OF DOG LAWS:

The owner or keeper of any dog three months old or over must have said dog licensed. Licenses are due and payable on or before March 31st of each year. Whoever violates the provisions of the dog laws shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$15.00.

Every dog, six months or older, must be inoculated with rabies vaccine, every three years.

# BIRTHS RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PARENTS</u>
1983		
July		
1	Lawrence Ernest Sisko	Lawrence and Deborah Sisko
17	Shelbia Djelassi	Mouldi and Teresa Djelassi
31	Anthula Virginia Vadoros	Angelo and Deborah Vadoros
August		
10	David William Dionne	Paul and Diane Dionne
21	Nicholas Michael Noel	Everett and Lianne Noel
25	Benjamin Ian Sibley	Roger & Marcia Sibley
31	Jeffrey Alan Goodhart	John & Sharon Goodhart
September		
22	Tammy Ann Hicks	James & Lorraine Hicks
October		
2	Jennifer Marie Suprenant	George & Mary Ann Suprenant
2	Christopher Lee Mercey	James & Sharon Mercey
3	Bryan Edward Shoum II	Bryan & Cynthia Shoum
23	Vanessa Margaret Flynn	Kenneth & Nancy Flynn
November		
19	Kristen Marie Giroux	James & Ellen Giroux
29	Caitlin Alicia Tyburski	Eric & Judith Tyburski
December		
26	Devon Joann Frazier	Rex & Jean Frazier
1984		
February		
2	Matthew Adam Rasys	Michael & Kathleen Rasys
8	Evan Kenneth Chakrin	Richard & Kimberly Chakrin
17	Virginia May Woods	Kevin & Susan Woods
March		
3	Nathan Robert LaFleche	Roger & Lenelle LaFleche
April		
18	Brigid Sara Looney	Robert & Jennie Looney
30	Michelle Marie Goffredo	Matthew & Ann Goffredo
May		
14	Nicholas Anthony Masuzzo	Peter & Joanne Masuzzo

# BIRTHS RECORDED

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PARENTS</u>
1984 May		
27	Alex Ingram Beaumont	John & Elizabeth Beaumont
June		
2	Robert James Dowling	Peter & Margaret Dowling
3	Katrina Suzanne Clay	Hanford & Karen Clay
5	William Walter Chapin	William & Rebecca Chapin
26	Mathew John Koslowski	William & Jacqueline Koslowski

# DEATHS RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
1983 August		
25	Joseph Thomas Kittredge	52
September		
13	Eleanor May Wemyss	62
October		
26	Samuel Wesley Haddock	89
November		
4	Edward Francis Langevin	60
25	Telesphore A. Richard	72
December		
3	Marjorie Emma Stearns	81
8	Margaret Sheean Reilly	83
9	Lillian Lauckner	57
9	Archie L. Ross	96
20	David Bradford Towns	20
28	Philip Joseph Moreau	73
1984 January		
16	Cynthia J. Harvey	29
February		
14	Eula Lee Hurley	90
20	Jennie Elizabeth Bergeron	72
April		
5	Ethel Elizabeth Spooner	86
14	Florida T. Poitras	92

# DEATHS RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
1984		
April		
30	Leslie Carrol Dewey	81
May		
29	Andrew James Ironside	75
30	Leo E. Lavigne	80
June		
12	Maurice Francis Ronayne	84
20	Margaret Louise Dinino	64
23	Ethel Oetjen	93

# MARRIAGES RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>GROOM AND RESIDENCE</u>	<u>BRIDE AND RESIDENCE</u>
July		
4	Clifton J. Mellen Brimfield, Ma.	Joan H. Everett Brimfield, Ma.
August		
13	William A. Stanton Brimfield, Ma.	Barbara J. Terrill Wales, Ma.
20	Jeffrey K. Walker Monson, Ma.	Paula J. Mitchell Brimfield, Ma.
20	David J. Bronson Sturbridge, Ma.	Rhonda M. Calvert Brimfield, Ma.
October		
1	Timothy J. Ahern Brimfield, Ma.	Mary Beth Plumley Monson, Ma.
8	Brian N. Haley Brimfield, Ma.	Carolyn M. Charron Brimfield, Ma.
34		
ne		
2	John C. Hickey Fitchburg, Ma.	Kirsten E. Slezik Fitchburg, Ma.
10	Michael S. Ware, Jr. Palmer, Ma.	Robin M. Stanton Brimfield, Ma.





BOARD OF SELECTMEN

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
01010

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen take pleasure in presenting this report for the Annual Town Report to the Town of Brimfield. It has been a very active year and in many respects a very rewarding year. This report covers the time period from July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984.

Perhaps the most exciting event of the year occurred on June 28, 1984. After two years of frustration the Hazardous Waste Site Safety Council voted to terminate the attempt to site I.T.'s hazardous waste treatment plant on Brimfield's border in the Town of Warren. This was the Board of Selectmen's highest priority and it was very gratifying to have the plant finally rejected. The Board realizes that the successful outcome of this matter cannot be attributed to any one person, nor any one Board, nor any one organization, but is a result of the effort of many of our townspeople, and those of surrounding towns, who joined in a common cause. Together citizens continuously impeded the progress of the siting of such a plant until it became neither economically nor politically feasible. Much of the Board's time was spent attending meetings with various State officials and organizations, answering correspondence on the matter and studying the volumes of material generated from many sources. We, therefore, can appreciate the contributions made by the many people who came forth to help.

In February the Brimfield Board in conjunction with the Holland Board of Selectmen hired Charles Seelig to fill the position of Circuit Rider. Charlie Seelig has proven to be an invaluable asset to the town. In his capacity he has assisted the Board of Selectmen by conducting much of the necessary business with various State departments, by supplying vital informational research and by taking on specific tasks assigned to him from time to time. He has been particularly responsible for studying State and Federal grants that may benefit the Town, and for applying for grants for which Brimfield qualifies. The Circuit Rider program was funded by a grant from the State which initially paid for the position's entire salary, with the Towns taking a larger responsibility for the salary each year. This Board hopes the Town can and will continue to fund this position.

Last year the Town's water supply was found to be unfit to drink. In studying the problem it was also found that the Elementary School's water source, which had been part of the Town's water system, showed high salt concentration. As a step in managing the entire water problem the Board applied to the State and was granted a salt shed to house the Town's salt and sand supply used on the roads during the winter. The salt shed will soon be built next to the Town Barn at no expense to the Town.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REPORT (continued)

Through the efforts of the Board the Town is now better insured. The Town now has all of its insurance coverage with one agency and has updated levels of coverage as well as adding additional policies to cover areas of liability that were not previously covered. In the process of the review we discovered multiple policies from different agencies which were not recorded. The outstanding benefit to the Town was that the new insurance coverage premium, even with the new policies and liability coverage, is less than the previous insurance total.

The Board of Selectmen have called for an audit of the Town's financial status. While the audit may be conducted by many private auditing companies it was felt that using the State audit facilities would best serve the Town. The auditors have begun and while initial estimates have already been exceeded, the Town should finally be able to report accurately on its financial standing.

The Board, primarily through the efforts of Selectwoman Jean McGann, has established the Federal Cheese Giveaway program in Brimfield. This program benefits some 100 to 130 families in Brimfield by providing free cheese and milk to those who qualify.

The Board found that the Town has neglected to form an Arts Lottery Commission. The Board has asked the Historical Commission to assume the responsibilities of such a Commission. This has allowed the Town to start receiving money from the Lottery system for specified art improvement projects in the Town. The first project will be the restoration of the Elwell portrait of George Washington that hangs in the Town Hall.

In closing, the Board would like to thank once again the many dedicated volunteers and town office holders. The Town still has great financial obstacles to overcome due to Proposition 2-½. It requires that many more people must do more for the Town on a volunteer basis. It has almost come to the point that to work for the Town is no longer a privilege but has become a duty. To those that have served the Town we sincerely thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard N. Raymond, Chairman

Jean A. McGann

Robert H. St. Clair

The Board of Selectmen received the following remuneration:

Richard N. Raymond	- \$500
Jean A. McGann	- \$450
Robert H. St. Clair	- \$450



TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
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REPORT FROM TOWN ACCOUNTANT

The balance sheet as of June 30, 1984, which would normally have appeared on this page was unavailable at the time this report went into print. The reason for this is that the state auditors are currently involved in a fiscal assistance program with town officials. The end result of this agency's efforts will likely be a series of material adjustments to the Town's balance sheet. However, because the auditors have not completed their review, nor have Town officials met with them to discuss the proposed adjustments, any balance sheet published at this time would be incorrect and misleading.

When the adjustments have been completed to the satisfaction of all parties, the balance sheet will be available for review in the office of the Town Accountant and in the offices of the Board of Selectmen.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Phillips Carpenter



FY 84 APPROPRIATIONS  
07/01/83 TO 06/30/84  
DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNT BALANCE

MODERATOR		
SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		100.00
EXPENDED	75.00	
RETURN TO REVENUE	25.00	
SELECTMEN		
SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		1,400.00
EXPENDED	1,400.00	
CLERK SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		1,100.00
EXPENDED	1,100.00	
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		1,700.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		18.05
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		160.63
EXPENDED	1,776.03	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	102.65	
CIRCUIT RIDER EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		1,000.00
EXPENDED	212.36	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	27.68	
RETURN TO REVENUE	759.96	
TOWN CLERK		
SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		2,600.00
EXPENDED	2,600.00	
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		1,000.00
EXPENDED	88.00	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	650.00	
RETURN TO REVENUE	262.00	
ACCOUNTANT		
SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		3,000.00
EXPENDED	3,000.00	
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		350.00
EXPENDED	270.22	
RETURN TO REVENUE	79.78	
TAX COLLECTOR		
SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		3,000.00
EXPENDED	3,000.00	
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		2,350.00
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		1,200.00
EXPENDED	1,826.84	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	85.22	



RETURN TO REVENUE	437.94	
TREASURER		
SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		3,500.00
EXPENDED	3,500.00	
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		1,050.00
OVERPAYMENT REFUND		65.80
EXPENDED	1,049.86	
RETURN TO REVENUE	65.94	
TAX TAKING EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		5,000.00
ENCUMBERED		1,711.40
EXPENDED	211.90	
RETURN TO REVENUE	6,499.50	
ASSESSORS		
SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		1,500.00
EXPENDED	1,500.00	
CLERK WAGES		
APPROPRIATION		3,000.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		168.00
REFUND FOR SERVICES		30.00
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		86.00
EXPENDED	3,188.00	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	96.00	
PROPERTY COUNTERS		
APPROPRIATION		100.00
RETURN TO REVENUE	100.00	
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		7,245.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		78.20
EXPENDED	6,410.03	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	46.19	
ENCUMBER	866.98	
REVALUATION		
ENCUMBERED		953.96
EXPENDED	541.15	
ENCUMBER	412.81	
TOWN COUNSEL		
SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		400.00
EXPENDED	400.00	
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		2,000.00
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		218.00
EXPENDED	300.00	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	2,118.00	
LEGAL COMMITTEE FOR HUMAN HEALTH & SAFETY		
APPROPRIATION		15,000.00
ENCUMBERED		300.96
EXPENDED	5,090.00	

ELECTION & REGISTRATION		
SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		1,601.00
STATE RE-IMBURSEMENT		60.30
EXPENDED	808.80	
RETURN TO REVENUE	852.50	
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		800.00
ENCUMBERED		350.00
EXPENDED	605.35	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	123.40	
RETURN TO REVENUE	421.25	
REPORT PUBLICATION		
TOWN REPORT		
APPROPRIATION		1,500.00
EXPENDED	1,334.03	
RETURN TO REVENUE	165.97	
BYLAWS BOOK		
APPROPRIATION		300.00
ENCUMBER	300.00	
INSURANCE		
GROUP INSURANCE		
APPROPRIATION		20,000.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		349.01
EXPENDED	18,851.71	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	1,046.02	
RETURN TO REVENUE	451.28	
PROPERTY INSURANCE		
APPROPRIATION		20,000.00
CANCELLATION REFUND		3,391.00
EXPENDED	16,298.50	
RETURN TO REVENUE	7,092.50	
WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION		
APPROPRIATION		6,600.00
ENCUMBERED		1,373.12
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		1,800.00
EXPENDED	8,968.61	
ENCUMBER	804.51	
POLICE DEPARTMENT		
SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		1,700.00
EXPENDED	1,692.00	
RETURN TO REVENUE	8.00	
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		3,675.00
EXPENDED	3,538.65	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	55.67	
RETURN TO REVENUE	80.68	
CONSTABLES		
SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		200.00
EXPENDED	200.00	

SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		1,300.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		591.60
EXPENDED	941.60	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	949.69	
RETURN TO REVENUE	0.31	
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		9,000.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		593.35
EXPENDED	9,531.67	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	33.00	
RETURN TO REVENUE	28.68	
CAPITAL EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		3,584.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		113.60
EXPENDED	3,690.14	
RETURN TO REVENUE	7.46	
PURCHASE AIR PACKS		
APPROPRIATION		4,000.00
EXPENDED	3,967.45	
RETURN TO REVENUE	32.55	
DREDGE FIRE HOLES		
APPROPRIATION		1,800.00
ENCUMBER	1,800.00	
DOG OFFICER		
SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		300.00
EXPENDED	300.00	
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		1,500.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		187.15
SALE OF DOGS		6.00
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		408.41
EXPENDED	2,101.56	
DOG RUNS		
APPROPRIATION		1,100.00
ENCUMBER	1,100.00	
CIVIL DEFENSE		
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		375.00
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		0.45
EXPENDED	375.45	
TREE WARDEN		
SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		100.00
EXPENDED	100.00	
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		800.00
EXPENDED	800.00	
AMBULANCE		
CONTRACT EXPENSE		
APPROPRIATION		45,750.00

BOARD OF HEALTH		
AGENT SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		870.00
EXPENDED	870.00	
CLERK SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		400.00
EXPENDED	166.65	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	233.35	
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		2,500.00
EXPENDED	1,073.27	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	272.84	
RETURN TO REVENUE	1,153.89	
RUBBISH CONTRACT		
APPROPRIATION		32,000.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		3,200.00
EXPENDED	32,539.26	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	2,587.00	
RETURN TO REVENUE	73.74	
COUNCIL ON AGING		
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		1,000.00
OVERPAYMENT REFUND		82.50
EXPENDED	995.06	
RETURN TO REVENUE	87.44	
ELDERBUS		
APPROPRIATION		200.00
EXPENDED	134.30	
RETURN TO REVENUE	65.70	
HOME CARE		
APPROPRIATION		188.00
EXPENDED	188.00	
LIBRARY		
SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		4,108.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		130.58
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		254.26
EXPENDED	4,079.74	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	413.10	
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		6,956.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		866.65
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		1,508.99
COUNTY DOG FUND		510.00
INTEREST FROM TRUSTS		379.41
EXPENDED	7,799.59	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	2,421.46	
REWIRE LIBRARY		
APPROPRIATION		1,450.00
EXPENDED	249.27	
ENCUMBER	1,200.73	



MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE		
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		300.00
EXPENDED	300.00	
MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE		
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		1,200.00
EXPENDED	1,200.00	
MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE		
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		450.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE	276.54	
RETURN TO REVENUE	173.46	
VETERAN SERVICES		
BENEFITS		
APPROPRIATION		9,000.00
EXPENDED	5,413.46	
RETURN TO REVENUE	3,586.54	
DISTRICT ASSESSMENT		
APPROPRIATION		2,764.80
EXPENDED	2,395.40	
RETURN TO REVENUE	369.40	
COUNTY RETIREMENT		
ASSESSMENT		
APPROPRIATION		17,493.00
EXPENDED	17,493.00	
PLANNING BOARD		
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		250.00
EXPENDED	104.50	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	38.77	
RETURN TO REVENUE	106.73	
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS		
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		255.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		45.00
EXPENDED	195.00	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	55.00	
RETURN TO REVENUE	50.00	
ZONING OFFICER		
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		350.00
RETURN TO REVENUE	350.00	
BUILDING INSPECTOR		
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		500.00
RETURN TO REVENUE	500.00	
CONSERVATION COMMISSION		
EXPENSES		
APPROPRIATION		302.00
EXPENDED	271.55	
RETURN TO REVENUE	30.45	
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT		
SALARY		
APPROPRIATION		17,000.00

EXPENDED	16,999.60	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	326.92	
WAGES		
APPROPRIATION		31,930.00
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		567.50
EXPENDED	21,931.50	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	566.00	
SNOW WAGES		
APPROPRIATION		7,500.00
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		2,650.00
EXPENDED	10,140.12	
RETURN TO REVENUE	9.88	
GENERAL HIGHWAY		
APPROPRIATION		15,000.00
EXPENDED	14,961.68	
RETURN TO REVENUE	38.32	
HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE		
APPROPRIATION		12,500.00
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		319.30
EXPENDED	11,814.30	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	1,005.00	
HIGHWAY FUEL & LUBE		
APPROPRIATION		10,000.00
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		388.23
EXPENDED	10,318.48	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	69.75	
MACHINERY MAINTENANCE		
APPROPRIATION		12,500.00
OVERPAYMENT REFUND		41.85
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		1,149.30
EXPENDED	13,231.65	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	494.71	
OIL PUBLIC ROADS		
APPROPRIATION		9,070.00
ENCUMBERED		5,448.92
EXPENDED	7,898.80	
ENCUMBER	6,620.12	
IMPROVE PUBLIC ROADS		
APPROPRIATION		5,575.00
ENCUMBERED		2,259.56
EXPENDED	6,667.53	
ENCUMBER	1,167.03	
PUG MIX		
APPROPRIATION		5,000.00
EXPENDED	4,996.40	
RETURN TO REVENUE	3.60	
STREET LIGHTS		
EXPENSE		
APPROPRIATION		7,000.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		465.02
EXPENDED	6,524.39	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	469.28	

# GENETARY COMMISSION

## EXPENSES

APPROPRIATION		2,755.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		28.18
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		531.57
EXPENDED	3,276.72	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	38.03	

## TOWN PROPERTY

### TOWN HALL EXPENSES

APPROPRIATION		6,000.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		101.02
OVERPAYMENT REFUND		70.00
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		2,542.26
EXPENDED	8,314.98	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	398.30	

### TOWN HALL RENOVATIONS

APPROPRIATION		3,250.00
EXPENDED	3,232.73	
RETURN TO REVENUE	17.27	

### TOWN BARN EXPENSES

APPROPRIATION		5,600.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE		125.71
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		795.00
EXPENDED	6,267.54	
WARRANTS PAYABLE	238.23	
RETURN TO REVENUE	14.94	

### TOWN BARN DOORS

APPROPRIATION		3,600.00
EXPENDED	3,295.00	
ENCUMBER	305.00	

### TOWN COMMON EXPENSES

APPROPRIATION		200.00
WARRANTS PAYABLE	174.34	
RETURN TO REVENUE	25.66	

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

### EXPENSES

APPROPRIATION		275.00
EXPENDED	232.40	
RETURN TO REVENUE	42.60	

### RESERVE FUND

APPROPRIATION		25,000.00
TRANSFER FROM RESERVE	15,001.42	
RETURN TO REVENUE	9,998.58	

## DEBT SERVICE

### BOND PRINCIPAL

APPROPRIATION		35,000.00
EXPENDED	35,000.00	

### INTEREST EXPENSE

APPROPRIATION		48,475.00
EXPENDED	40,617.40	
ENCUMBER	7,857.60	

### NOTE CERTIFICATION

APPROPRIATION		275.00
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EXPENDED

370.00

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

APPROPRIATION

649,926.00

WARRANTS PAYABLE

14,488.42

EXPENDED

592,504.92

WARRANTS PAYABLE

44,805.20

ENCUMBER

13,478.75

RETURN TO REVENUE

13,625.55

TANTASQUA REGIONAL

APPROPRIATION

397,102.00

EXPENDED

357,477.00

OVERASSESSMENT

29,625.00

SCHOOL WINDOWS

ENCUMBERED

16,600.00

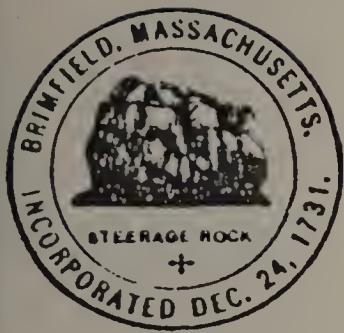
EXPENDED

15,760.00

ENCUMBER

840.00





TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF  
Treasurer

Savings Balance: July 1, 1983		\$ 331,672.63
Paid on Treasury Warrants:		\$ 4,295.332.14

Savings Balance: June 30, 1984	\$ 2,650.96	
LIA Balance: June 30, 1984	<u>13,626.48</u>	\$ 16,277.44

FUNDS IN CUSTODY OF TREASURER:

Trust Fund Package with Shawmut Worcester County Bank, N.A.		\$ 109,540.90
Revenue Sharing Funds		\$ 81,152.94

I wish to thank the various departments for allowing me to set up a Trust Fund Package. Because of this, the departments will realize a higher interest rate on there accounts then before.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan A. Erban, Treasurer

Salary: \$3,500.00

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Sub-Total					
2,004.32	64.33.00	60.00	67.91	164.383	64.33.00
					67.53
					64.33.00

CAMBERLIN SMITH HISTORIC FUND									
	1.00000	\$1,217.51	\$21.92	(51.05)	\$1,217.51	\$20.87	\$1,238.38	\$20.87	\$1,238.38
SUB-TOTAL	0.01183		\$21.92	(51.05)	\$1,217.51	\$20.87	\$1,238.38	\$20.87	\$1,238.38
CEMETERY									
BITE FUND	0.002310	\$143.81	\$2.58	(50.12)	\$143.81	\$2.45	\$145.46	\$2.45	\$145.46
HOYT ANIMAL	0.02365	\$1,426.16	\$25.72	(51.25)	\$1,426.16	\$24.48	\$1,452.64	\$24.48	\$1,452.64
WELL FUND	0.01652	\$1,826.75	\$18.49	(50.89)	\$1,826.75	\$17.68	\$1,844.35	\$17.68	\$1,844.35
PERPETUAL CARE	0.55844	\$22,975.77	\$1,068.26	(51.24)	\$22,975.77	\$37,363.41	\$68,339.18	\$37,363.41	\$68,339.18
	0.00000		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	0.00000		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	0.00000		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	0.00000		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	0.00000		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	0.00000		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	0.00000		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
SUB-TOTAL	0.56878	\$25,573.69	\$1,115.05	(53.19)	\$25,573.69	\$37,487.95	\$62,981.64	\$37,487.95	\$62,981.64
SCHOOLS									
PATILIP BURNS	0.55291	\$4,432.90	\$08.19	(51.05)	\$4,432.90	\$76.34	\$4,509.24	\$76.34	\$4,509.24
HARRIET ALLEN	0.43818	\$3,531.78	\$63.68	(51.05)	\$3,531.78	\$64.53	\$3,596.33	\$64.53	\$3,596.33
TITLE II	0.007879	\$63.34	\$1.14	(50.05)	\$63.34	\$1.09	\$64.43	\$1.09	\$64.43
	0.00000		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	0.00000		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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	0.00000		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
SUB-TOTAL	0.07324	\$4,048.82	\$104.53	(50.55)	\$4,048.82	\$137.96	\$4,186.08	\$137.96	\$4,186.08
TOTAL		\$72,527.97	\$36,346.39	(54.65)	\$72,527.97	\$37,012.53	\$109,548.98	\$37,012.53	\$109,548.98

DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	CHECK NO.	BANK	INITIALS
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10/2/78	10/2/78	100.00	100	100	100
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10/4/78	10/4/78	100.00	100	100	100
10/5/78	10/5/78	100.00	100	100	100
10/6/78	10/6/78	100.00	100	100	100
10/7/78	10/7/78	100.00	100	100	100
10/8/78	10/8/78	100.00	100	100	100
10/9/78	10/9/78	100.00	100	100	100
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10/27/78	10/27/78	100.00	100	100	100
10/28/78	10/28/78	100.00	100	100	100
10/29/78	10/29/78	100.00	100	100	100
10/30/78	10/30/78	100.00	100	100	100
10/31/78	10/31/78	100.00	100	100	100
TOTAL		100.00			





OFFICE OF  
BOARD OF ASSESSORS

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

For the fiscal year 1984 (July 1, 1983 - June 30, 1984) the "Green" sheet estimate of incoming funds was as follows:

A. REIMBURSEMENT FOR LOSS OF TAXES

State owned land	\$15,794.00	
Flood control	26,348.00	
Veterans abatements	1,024.00	
Surviving spouses	1,024.00	
Elderly persons	5,680.00	\$49,870.00

B. EDUCATION

School Aid, Chapter 70	127,624.00	
Transportation of pupils	60,483.00	
Construction costs	17,470.00	
School related transportation	3,308.00	
Tuition for State Wards	6,428.00	
Public Library Aid	1,922.00	
School lunch program	2,138.00	
(Total Education Reimbursement)		219,373.00

C. GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Veterans' Benefits	1,465.00	
Highway Reconstruction	34,436.00	
Local Aid fund	68,047.00	
Local Aid fund (Lottery)	29,480.00	
Highway, Chapter 81	28,060.00	
(Total General Government)		161,488.00

D. TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS 430,731.00

"CHERRY" SHEET CHARGES INCLUDE:

County Tax	61,555.00
Motor excise bills	343.00
State recreation areas	10,904.00
Air pollution control	639.00
(Total charges)	73,441.00

Prior year overestimates to be used as available funds: 811.00



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Gross amount to be raised	\$1,703,541.22
Estimated receipts and available funds	631,255.00
Net amount to be raised by taxation	1,072,286.22

Tax Rate - \$20.02

Personal property valuation	2,586,450.00
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Real Estate Valuation	<u>50,974,300.00</u>
	\$53,560,750.00

Assessor office hours are 7:00 to 9:00 Monday evenings. The assessor's clerk is in the office 11:45 - 1:30 Monday and Wednesday afternoons. Questions pertaining to real and personal property, assessments, motor vehicles, and other assessments may be directed to the Assessors. Questions having to do with payments should be addressed to the tax collector.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Starkey, Chairman  
James Killian  
Anne Dutka

Susan Cox, Clerk

Salaries:

Richard Starkey	\$450.00
James Killian	450.00
Anne Dutka	450.00
Susan Cox	3,000.00

## Circuit Rider Report for February 1984-March 1985

What is a circuit rider?

The job and the term really has not been defined yet. Much depends on the selectboards, the townspeople, and the person who has the position. In some cases, a circuit rider may act as an administrative assistant (the formal name for the job is "shared administrative assistant"), in others as an executive secretary, and sometimes as a town manager. One way of describing it would be someone who works for more than one town, who has no power, but who does have a huge amount of responsibility and freedom.

That really doesn't tell me a lot. What does a circuit rider do?

Again it depends. In one case, the circuit rider manages the economic and community development of the towns he works for, in another, she works on conservation efforts and maintenance of groundwater purity. Here in Brimfield and Holland, the circuit rider's job is divided into three areas of work. The first is dealing with town issues or problems such as research about Lake Sherman in Brimfield or gathering information for a tax auction in Holland. A second part is acting as liaison with the state. This comes up in cases such as setting the tax rate or getting liquor licenses approved. The third area is grantwriting.

What sort of grants do you work on?

The subject matter of the grants is as varied as the towns I am writing them for. Writing grants has never been an easy task, especially now with less federal and state funds. The grants become more complicated as the amount goes up. More time has to be spent on research and writing, than is often thought. If you want to get \$300,000, you do not decide to write a grant for it three days before the deadline. In the last six months the towns have had some success in receiving grant awards. One was for the joint purchase of highway materials between the two highway departments. Two others were for work to be done on conservation, recreation, and open space plans. In February, Holland received \$2000 to hire an insurance consultant to review the town's coverage and policies. Progress continues on other projects. Brimfield just sent in an application for \$104,000 to improve the Town Common. During the next few months, I expect to be working on housing rehabilitation proposals for the two communities, scenic river plans for the Quaboag and Quinebaug Rivers, and energy conservation applications for some of the town buildings.



What other specific things do you do besides grants?

Grantwriting is not the whole job. It is not even half of it. Here are some things that happen during a typical week. I talked to Michael Parker of the state forestry service about possible conflicts between a proposed logging by-law in Brimfield and state laws; contacted five towns who were interested in the joint purchase of a weed harvester; called the Secretary of State's office on the matter of redistricting plans for the two towns; talked with Tom Foley of Congressman Boland's office about revenue sharing problems in Holland; analyzed the town budgets of Holland, Brimfield, and Wales to see how much they spent on highways, police, fire, and ambulance service; worked on a proposed circuit rider budget for FY86 (July 1985-June 1986) and wrote this report; tried to solve some bonding problems in Brimfield; discussed the building of a ramp for the front of the Brimfield Town Hall.

It sounds like the job is still undefined enough that you might be doing anything.

Just about. This winter I drove a resident of the elderly housing project to Palmer and back. Back last fall when there was the forest fire in Monson, I went out with one of the crews. Last winter, I shoveled snow. I have helped distribute cheese and butter. That is what I meant by freedom and responsibility. I have plenty of freedom to choose what I do, but I also have the responsibility to decide what needs to be done.

What sort of hours do you put in?

Back when I started work, I had hoped that this would be a 9-5 job. Well, it never works that way. There have been mornings where work has started at 6:30am and some nights where I do not get home until 3am. Many meetings (for instance, selectboards) are held at night. Some of my best work gets done at night or during the weekend when there are no phone calls and no one coming into the town hall. And during the daytime, I sometimes have to be in Boston, Springfield, Worcester, Northampton, Amherst, Greenfield, or Holyoke (to pick up the valuation books). I would like to spend more time at the town halls, but one of the problems in this job is trying to be in three places at once.



So your work week is 40 hours?

Easily. It actually comes out to be something like 48 hours per week. If you include weekend hours, meetings lasting to midnight, and spending 3 or 4 hours traveling back and forth to Boston, you can see how that might happen.

Do you keep track of what is happening in other towns and the state?

Yes. Here are some questions that have popped up during the last few months. How will Sturbridge continue to grow? Will a factory in Southbridge close down next month? How are the Tantasqua negotiations going along? How is the state changing the "happy hour" law? Will Ronald Reagan cut revenue sharing? Is there a new state program to clean up rivers? How are other school districts dealing with Chapter 766? How is cable TV working in Springfield? All of these questions get answered by reading the newspapers, talking with other people, listening to the radio, and (very little) watching the television. And those answers provide valuable information to help keep the towns running well.

Have you enjoyed living in the area?

I moved to Holland in April 1984. A two minute commute is lot easier to deal with than one of an hour and its nice to be able to go home for lunch. And its nice to be able to see the stars at night.

If you were going to pick three or four things that you've done during the past year that meant something, what would they be?

Setting the tax rate in Holland three and a half months earlier than last year. Having the towns realize what grant opportunities exist and have them start planning on what they want to apply for. The fact that many more people in the state government know that Brimfield and Holland exist.

What are thre three or four things that you want to accomplish during the next year?

Increase the towns' success rate in receiving grant awards. To work with both Boards of Assessors in setting tax rates and getting tax bills out on time. Continue to work with the committees, boards, and townspeople to do the things that they feel need to be done. To try and keep the revenues and expenses of the towns balanced.

Charles Seelig  
Circuit Rider



DEPARTMENT OF POLICE  
TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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CHIEF OF POLICE

VICTOR J. MILANI

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

I take pleasure in submitting the Annual Report of the Police Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1984. The present force consists of a Chief, a Deputy Chief, one Lieutenant, one Sergeant, and eleven Patrolmen.

ROSTER OF THE DEPARTMENT

Chief

Victor J. Milani

Deputy Chief

William F. Roberts

Lieutenant

Donald B. Norton

Sergeant

Louis Iadisernia

Patrolmen

Earl L. Cote Sr.  
Patricia M. Coto  
Robert L. Coto  
Donna L. Hellyar  
Richard Kszepka  
Charles McGann Sr.

Charles McGann Jr.  
Charles A. Modugno  
Joel R. Norton  
Alexander Schmid  
John H. Stanton

Officers have been assigned to routine patrols and special assignments. In addition, officers have served at funerals, weekly church services, town caucuses, town meetings, road races, country fairs, and town elections.

Two new patrolmen have been appointed to the department this year, former Hampden police officer Alexander Schmid, and police photographer Donna L. Hellyar. Alexander brings to the department several years of experience he acquired as a result of serving as a police officer in the town of Hampden, Mass.

Since her appointment officer Hellyar has been extremely motivated toward receiving additional professional training at the Mass. State Police Academy in Framingham Mass., she has been certified by the academy in the areas of: crime scene search, basic and advanced police photography, basic and advanced fingerprinting techniques, and rape investigation.

The department is proud to announce that this past year all supervisory officers, as well as seven patrolman graduated from the fifteen week Reserve Intermittent Police Academy sponsored by the Mass. Criminal Justice Training Council. In addition, by January 1, 1985 it is expected that all police officers of the department will be academy graduates.

The police officers of the department were also pleased to deliver several talks this year, Chief Milani conducted an in service training session at Burgess Elementary School in Sturbridge on October 4, 1983 on the topic of "Drug Abuse", and crime prevention officer Robert Coto, and Sergeant Louis Iadiserchia delivered a talk at Meadowbrook Acres on October 24, 1983 on "Methods and Techniques of Crime Prevention".

The Department wishes to acknowledge the efforts of its emergency services dispatchers: Cynthia Clark, Janet Hastings, Linda Collette, Donna Hellyar, Shirley Hopkins, Joanne Milani, Maryann Wales, and Karen Weglarz.

During this past year Crime Prevention officer, Robert L. Coto, has continued to be very active in the presentation of the Crime Watch Program. The department is grateful to Mr. Frank McLeish for his assistance to the department in sponsoring this program. Several civic groups have subsidized the purchase of Community Crime Watch Signs that have been erected on the major roads leading into the town.

We continue to urge you to report any incident or person you deem to be suspicious. Your alertness and cooperation has been an important factor responsible for a decrease in the number of Breaking and Entering Crimes this year. Continued public awareness of crime prevention programs is a first essential step in combating crime.



### GENERAL CALLS

Ambulance Assists .....	11
Assists at fires .....	8
Automobile Accidents .....	22
Automobiles Recovered .....	4
Buildings Open .....	2
Disabled Motor Vehicles .....	14
Disturbances .....	19
Dog Complaints (referred to dog officer) .....	31
Vacant Homes Checked .....	92
Loose Animals .....	26
Objects in Roadway .....	2
Prowlers .....	2
Summonses and Supoenas Served .....	39

### INVESTIGATIONS

Arson .....	2
Assault .....	3
Assault and Battery .....	8
Assault and Battery with a Dangerous Weapon .....	3
Attempted Burglary .....	4
Attempted Indecent Assault .....	1
Attempt to Rape a Child .....	1
Breaking and Entering in the Daytime .....	6
Breaking and Entering in the Nighttime .....	2
Burglary .....	1
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny from a Building .....	2
Delinquency by reason of larceny from a motor vehicle .....	1
Delinquency by reason of Larceny of a Motor Vehicle .....	1
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny over \$100.00.....	3
Delinquency by Reason of Malicious Destruction of Property ...	2
Delinquency by Reason of Possession of Alcohol .....	5
Delinquency by Reason of Class D Controlled Substance .....	2
Delinquency by Reason of Receiving Stolen Property .....	3
Discharge of Firearms .....	11
Disorderly Person .....	6
Indecent Exposure .....	1
Illegal Discarding of Rubbish .....	3
Larceny by Check .....	18
Larceny of Motor Vehicle .....	1



Larceny over \$100 .....	26
Larceny under \$100 .....	11
Malicious Destruction of Property .....	4
Minor in Possession of Alcoholic Beverage .....	4
Obscene Telephone Calls .....	7
Possession of Class D Controlled Substance .....	2
Possession of Dangerous Weapon .....	3
Procuring Alcoholic Beverage for a Minor .....	4
Receiving Stolen Property .....	2
Runaway .....	2
Trespassing .....	4
Violation of Dog Restraining Order (referred to dog officer) ..	9

#### CITATIONS

Motor Vehicle Warnings .....	19
Motor Vehicle Complaints .....	66
Parking Violations .....	189

#### PROTECTIVE CUSTODY AND ARRESTS

Arrests on Warrants .....	9
Arrests without Warrants .....	28
Protective Custody .....	5

#### REQUESTS AND ASSISTS TO OTHER POLICE DEPARTMENTS

Arrests .....	4
License Status Check .....	11
Relay Summons .....	6
Relay Persons .....	7

#### ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

FID permits Issued .....	34
License Revocation and Suspension forms Processed .....	26
Military Inquiries .....	5
Pistol Permits Issued .....	35
Police Reports Supplied (accidents and investigation) .....	19
References .....	3
Sunday Work Permits .....	1
Verify Motor Vehicle VIN for Title .....	8

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen for their continued cooperation. The Department also wishes to express its appreciation to the Massachusetts State Police for assistance received, and the residents of Brimfield for their continued cooperation and support.

To my officers, a special thanks for your loyalty and conscientiousness in the performance of your duties.

Respectfully submitted,

*Victor J. Milani*  
Victor J. Milani  
Chief of Police

OFFICERS SALARIES

Officer	Town Salary	Detail/Flea Mkt. Salary
Earl L. Cote Sr.	175.00	1438.00
Patricia M. Coto	120.00	811.00
Robert L. Coto	49.00	213.00
Donna L. Hellyar	58.00	24.00
Louis Iadisernia	209.00	1507.00
Richard Kszepka	94.00	774.00
Charles McGann Sr.	62.00	1185.00
Charles McGann Jr.	170.00	511.00
Victor J. Milani	350.00	1603.00
Charles A. Modugno	170.00	1942.00
Donald B. Norton	180.00	1085.00
Joel R. Norton	61.00	1150.00
William F. Roberts	70.00	0
John H. Stanton	60.00	329.00



TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
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COUNCIL ON AGING

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY  
EMPLOYER

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

The Brimfield Council on Aging provides Elderbus Service to the Elderly (anyone 55 yrs. of age or older) and the Handicapped residents of Brimfield, Holland and Wales.

In the past year, I feel that we have been very successful in providing transportation service.

Again this year we have put over 13,000 miles on our bus, which brings to mind the fact that we will be in need for a New bus for Fiscal Year (85).

People Served: Unduplicated (497)

Duplicated 3,300

We have (10) dedicated Volunteer Drivers for which we are very grateful.

We employ a full time Dispatcher/Driver/Secretary.

Our operation is run five days a week, Monday - Friday.

Our service is funded by the following sources:

Town of Brimfield

Home Care Corp. of Springfield, Inc.

Dept. of Elder Affairs (Boston)

Title III and Title XX State Grants

Our (New Office) is located in the Town Hall next to the Police Dept.

We are grateful to the Town of Brimfield for providing our Elderbus Office.

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Frank D. McLeish, Chairman - Pearl McLeish, Treasurer

Deering, Elmer

Heipler, Vernon

Sweeney, Frank

Freeman, Harriet

Krzyminski, Doris (Sect.) Advisor

Gendreau, Florence

Moore, Dolly

Bergstrom, Marge

Hanna, Lucy

Stuart, Grace

Respectfully submitted,

Frank D. McLeish, Chairman 39



Brimfield Ambulance Service, Inc.  
Annual Report - 1983-84

This year we have been able to work on refining our procedures and equipment to add to the effectiveness of our operation and the well-being of our patients and personnel.

We added two radio components: 1, a head-set for the hospital radio in the front-line ambulance, to enable the EMT who is riding with the patient to respond to questions without having the patient hear what is asked; and 2, a portable, hand-held radio that operates on the town frequency, so that when out on a call EMT's can communicate with police, fire or highway department personnel without having to return to the ambulance.

We revamped our insurance program, adding the three towns we serve as "additional insureds" on our professional liability policy. Also we have inventoried and insured separately the large amount of equipment and supplies on board both ambulances.

It became increasingly difficult during the year for the Housing Authority for the Elderly's management to help us with our need for copies of schedules and other materials, and the extent of this work was more than we felt we could ask of Brimfield Precision whose management has also donated to us the use of their copier, so we put into the budget for fiscal '84-'85 a machine of our own. We hope to help defray its cost by making copies for the public for a fee. We greatly appreciate the generosity of the Housing Authority and Brimfield Precision during the three years we have run the service.

This year for the first time we offered the EMT's a uniform allowance of \$50.

Early in May Linda Collette, our Office Manager, took a course to become certified as a CPR instructor, which will make it easier for our staff to keep their credentials up to date.

The savings account for a new ambulance grew to \$13,190.21, benefiting from proceeds from the Encore Shop, a gift from the Woodbine Country Road Race Committee, donations for blood pressure checks at the Flea Markets, and our earnings from food booths at the 1983 Country Fair, besides the regular deposits from depreciation and rentals of the back-up ambulance to hill-climbs, rodeos, etc.

We appreciate the helpful support and encouragement we receive from many people in our three communities, and once again we're proud of our dedicated EMT's and dispatchers.

For the year ended June 30, 1984:

Total Income - - \$62,654.86

Total Expenses - 57,982.99

\$ 4,671.87

- Excess Income Over Expenses

(Includes donations, fund-raising, profit on special events and interest on ambulance fund savings account, totalling \$2,753.18)

Respectfully submitted,

The Board of Directors

Roger Bennett, Charlotte Corry,

Robert Hanna, Ann Lincoln, Julianne Spooner



## REPORT OF CARETAKER AT COMMON

Our town common appears to be in good shape this year. We continue to rely on volunteers for mowing and general tidiness and they have done a fine job. As to beautification, we must thank Kurt Chamberlain and Patsy Adams for installing and maintaining the flowers adorning our fountain. While it is not truly "common", the civil war monument has been maintained solely by Jim Adams. These tasks are on-going and performed at no cost to our taxpayers.

At the 1983 annual town meeting \$200 was appropriated for lime which was spread June 30, 1984. Peter Field had taken soil samples which showed the common to be of low Ph and in need of lime. With 1984's \$200 appropriation we propose a dressing of fertilizer.

Sadly, it became necessary to remove two ancient maples and one smaller tree. This was done with the advice of Tree Warden Henry Pellitier and agreement by our district state forester. Happily, these losses are to be replaced by new plantings this fall. Removals were at expense of the tree warden account, but replacement Norway Maples are made possible through the generous contributions from Brimfield Lions Club and individuals interested in our town's heritage.

The common is used in many diverse ways and excepting vandalistic treatment by unknown persons in autos or on motorcycles, I applaud our people for their "common" sense. It is there for all to enjoy, hopefully long into the future.

Finally, speaking for the selectmen and myself, I thank the mowing team, and all who contribute to our common's well-being.

John Prescott  
Caretaker at Common

Salary - None

## UNSUBMITTED REPORTS

Building Inspector

Civil Defense Director

March 11, 1985

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

In addition to routine maintenance of the cemetery, 19 burials were performed and 16 foundations constructed.

The total amount spent for perpetual care was \$1378. The total town appropriation of \$2755 was spent.

Respectfully submitted,

*Michael Phifer*

MICHAEL PHIFER  
Cemetery Superintendent

## REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission is vitally interested in securing the designation of the Quaboag River as a Scenic River. The designation would enhance our efforts to keep the river unpolluted and preserve its scenic and recreational qualities. For two years, Mrs. Cynthia Powers and the Q.R.W.A. have sponsored popular canoe trips from Brookfield to Warren past the Wildlife Preserve and historical points of interest.

The Commission is receiving many copies of the forest cutting plans. Inspections have been made of any wetland areas. Inspections were made of a proposed pony track site, clearing and grading for flea market areas and proposed work on a brook.

As in former years, the Commission has sponsored a child in the Elementary School to the Cape Cod Outdoor Education Center.

An excellent Natural Resources map has been prepared and copies will be presented to the Assessors, Selectmen, Planning Board, etc.

Mrs. Powers attended the M.A.A.C. Meeting at Holy Cross College and reported valuable information on the Forestry Act and Wetland Restrictions.

The Commission has welcomed two new members: Mrs. Carol Porter and Mr. James French.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen E. Sweeney, Chairman  
Herman J. Haven  
Gerard J. Morin  
Henry J. Pelletier  
Cynthia Powers  
William Pratt  
Carol Porter  
James French  
Marcia Starkey, Assoc. Member

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE    FY 84

As the Finance Committee began deliberations for Fiscal Year 1985, Richard Siewick was elected chairman, Jacques Mathieu, vice chairman, and Pamela Beall, secretary. New members Brad Powers and Robert Lee were received. The resignation of Carol Jensep was accepted with regret. At mid-year, the board also accepted the resignation of Richard Siewick from the chairmanship, although we were pleased to learn he would stay on as a member of the committee. Jacques Mathieu was elected to fill the term of the chairmanship.

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1984, \$7095 was transferred from the Reserve Fund to cover emergency requirements: (February) to Town Hall Account \$600, Town Barn Account \$795, Highway Snow Removal \$1800; (March) Tax Collector Expense Account \$1200; (April) Highway Snow Removal \$850; Worker's Compensation Insurance \$1350, and Dog Officer's Expense \$500.

In addition, the Finance Committee voted \$6866.21 from the Reserve Fund to pay unpaid FY 84 bills. As presented by the town accountant, these ranged from \$.45 for Civil Defense to \$1742 for the Town Hall Account. The balance of \$11,037 in the Reserve Fund reverts to the General Fund.

During our review of the town warrant for the annual meeting of May, 1984, the Finance Committee was optimistic about the town's financial position. Our recommendations had to be made



even though the tax rate for the current year (FY 83) had not been set and the three-year cycle of revaluation was not complete. We were reluctant to endorse many projects deemed worthy by department heads.

We were also pleased that a three-year effort to stabilize borrowing and reduce interest, and to curtail accumulations of unpaid bills netted some results. The excellent attention of our town treasurer, a realistic assessment of budget requests, and prudent management by town officials have contributed to this improved situation.

Respectfully,

James A. Adams, Jr.

Pamela E. Beall (secretary \$50)

Robert Joyce

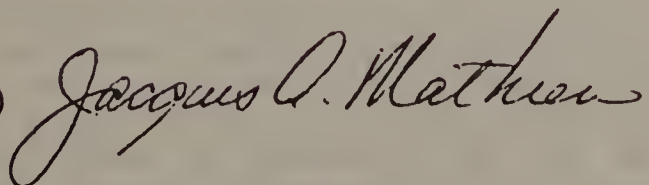
Robert E. Lee

Jacques A. Mathieu (chair,  $\frac{1}{2}$  year)

Richard H. Provost

J. Bradford Powers

Richard A. Siewick (chair,  $\frac{1}{2}$  year)





BRIMFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT  
Wales Road  
Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010



MICHAEL L. WALES  
CHIEF

REPORT OF THE FIRE CHIEF

During the year ending June 30, 1984, the Fire Department responded to a total of 73 alarms, and has granted 34 permit applications. The following is a breakdown of the alarms:

Mutual aid given	8
House fires	8
Garage fire	1
Barn fire	1
Grass fires	4
Brush fires	5
Motor vehicle accidents	16
Electrical wires down	1
Motor vehicle fires	7
Chimney fires	13
False alarms	5
Search & Rescue	3
Train fire	1

This year we have responded to an average number of calls. However, I must point out that the number of chimney fires has increased dramatically. This increase is largely due to two factors. One factor is that homeowners are not having their chimneys cleaned often enough. The other factor is that homeowners are burning unseasoned wood. These two factors are very important to follow in order to cut down on the risks of a chimney fire - or worse, a house fire.

This winter we were all saddened by the occurrence of a fatal fire. Of all the hazards and problems we must face in fighting fires, a death is something which we dread most. I feel very strongly that this tragedy may have been prevented had the home been protected by smoke detectors. We urge every homeowner to install smoke detectors in their home. If you are unsure as to where they should be placed, we will gladly offer our assistance.

I would like to thank the Brimfield Ambulance Service, the Brimfield Police Department, and the Brimfield Highway Department for their assistance throughout the year. I would also like to thank the dedicated members of this department. Without their hard work and dedication, we would not have a fire department working at the professional level that they do.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael L. Wales,  
Chief



BRIMFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT  
Wales Road  
Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010



MICHAEL L. WALES  
CHIEF

	<u>Flea Market</u>	<u>Salaries</u>
Mike Wales	\$ 56.00	\$ 350.00
Ken Weglarz	350.00	100.00
Peter Whitten	280.00	75.00
Tom Brown	168.00	50.00
Shirley Hopkins	168.00	107.64
Steve Modugno	152.00	44.88
David Branchaud	168.00	31.28
Bill Chapin	168.00	28.44
Bob Hanna	28.00	8.84
Linda Collette	63.00	19.72
Joe Collette	238.00	27.88
John Cox		6.12
Ron Cox		5.44
Steve Denning		27.88
Donna Hellyar		23.80
Rick Phiifer		44.88
Steve Phiifer		28.56
John Sherris		35.36
John Hilker		45.56
Sue Sutherland		40.12
Ward Cox		16.52





BOARD OF HEALTH  
BRIMFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health, through its routine testing of water supplies in the Town of Brimfield, was notified that the Town Spring, which supplies the Town Barn, Town Hall, and Public Library, had a high bacterial count. Measures are being taken to allievate this problem.

The difficulty of enforcing the State Sanitary Code as it applies to the several Antique Markets, which are held in Brimfield each year, continues to be a matter of great importance to the Board.

The rubbish collection service continues to be successful in the Town of Brimfield.

The Board of Health renewed its agreement with Harrington Hospital for community health nursing services.

The Board would like to once again take this opportunity to advise the Townspeople that the first step to be taken by anyone contemplating the building of a new dwelling or other new building where toilet facilities are required by law; is to have a percolation test performed by a Licensed Engineer or Sanitarian before obtaining a building permit. The percolation test is to be observed and approved by Lyman Stanton, Agent of the Board of Health. Repairs to existing septic systems must also be performed under the direction of Mr. Stanton (telephone number 245-9804).

Please note that effective March 15, 1985, percolation tests for Application for Disposal Works Construction Permit in the Town of Brimfield shall be performed only during the period March 15 through June 15. The new fee will be \$25.00

Respectfully submitted

Edward J. Killian, Chairman  
Clayton L. Thomas, M.D.  
Larry Lowenthal



## REPORT OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

This was a very productive year for the Highway Department, due in a large part by the State relaxing some of it's restrictions as to how we could use monies previously not allowed

Specifically we were allowed to spend these funds for road oiling. Eleven miles of roads were treated on eighteen different roads. Granted, road oiling does not make the surface any smoother, but it does hold the pavement together and cuts down on pot holes for approximately three to five years. Pug mix is a mixture of sand and road oil. This mixture is a method of paving with cold material so that a surface can be built up from 3/4" to 2" and is used where surfaces are badly deteriorated. One mile of this type paving was done on three roads, St. Clair, Dunhamtown, and West Brimfield-Palmer. Hot top or Type I paving was done on Warren Rd, Hollow Rd., and Holland-East Brimfield Rd for a total of one mile.

Each year the State allows a certain number of communities to have salt sheds constructed. We were fortunate to be selected this year and now have one of these buildings, 40' x 60' in size, approximate cost \$35,000. NO COST to the town.

New Town Water Supply. This department worked with Mr. Killian on this project, setting the well tile, excavating the trench and laying pipe

Utilizing our new surplus account we have acquired a 1960 grader and snow plow at a cost of \$1,500. The estimated cost of this equipment is well over \$10,000.

Last year at town meeting, an appropriation was made for a used cab and chassis and a new sander body. We now have a 1979 International diesel dump truck with a slide in sander. The unit has been in operation all winter and we are pleased with it.

Another project that was completed this year with the aid of State force funds was construction of a new bridge on Hastings Lane. The Highway crew removed the old bridge, which had become unsafe for traffic, and constructed a new bridge of pressure treated beams and planks. No town money was involved. Cost was \$6300.

*Respectfully*

*John L. Sherman*



**BRIMFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY**  
COLONIAL PARK RT. 20  
Brimfield, Ma. 01010

Brim. 667-1

**Equal Housing Opportunity**

**YEARLY REPORT OF THE BRIMFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY**

At the June 1984 meeting of the Authority the members were voted as follows:

CHAIRMAN: Ellewellyn Norton, Term expires 1985

VICE CHAIRMAN: Grace Stuart, Term expires 1989

TREASURER: Nancy Prescott, Term expires 1986

ASST. TREASURER: Clarence Keith, Term expires 1988

STATE APPOINTEE: Alice Adams, Term expires 1986

In December the Tenants Association elected new officers as follows:

PRESIDENT: Mrs. Lucy Hanna, VICE PRESIDENT: Mrs. Helen Phillips,

SECRETARY: Mrs. Marion Willard, TREASURER: Mr. Michael Sullivan.

The Association is very active with weekly and monthly activities especially the November Bazaar which traditionally earns approximately \$600.00 for association sponsored trips, dinners, etc.

During the past year Colonial Park has had 5 vacancies which have been filled and we now have a waiting list of 11.

**BRIMFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY**  
Louis H. Lavoie  
Executive Director

# REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

Dogs picked up	84	Dogs returned to owners	12
Dogs destroyed	45	Dogs dead on highways	5
Dogs sold	5	Dogs given away	17
Complaints	76	Animals killed by dogs	15

Earl L. Cote Sr.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT PEST CONTROL

During the year there was a sharp decline in the gypsy moth population throughout the town. There were no cases of Dutch Elm disease reported.

No money was appropriated or expended.

Respectfully submitted,  
David M. Killian



## LEGAL COMMITTEE FOR HUMAN HEALTH AND SAFETY

### Final Report

You created this committee at the annual town meeting of 1982 because you did not believe it was fair or safe to have hazardous waste from the entire Eastern seaboard shipped into our town.

You instructed this committee to take legal action to oppose the construction of the world's largest hazardous waste facility on the Brimfield-Warren town line.

You did not believe that the state and a multi-million dollar corporation were invincible. Instead, you gave us your tax dollars and you told us to fight. You also gave us the sole authority to decide when this committee was no longer needed.

On June 14, 1984, the facility developer, IT Corporation, informed the state that it had "...no choice but to terminate current efforts to build..." On June 21 the state's Hazardous Waste Facility Site Safety Council voted unanimously to suspend IT from the siting process.

On July 26, 1984, your committee voted itself out of existence, seeing no need for further legal proceedings.

We will probably never know the real reason(s) for IT's termination. In its letter of June 14 it cited "...implementation problems associated with the process..." as a reason. This is in direct contradiction to its 1981 position that it was our state's innovative siting process which attracted the California corporation in the first place.

The real reason(s) may have been economic considerations, the presence of an aquifer under the proposed site, the possible fatal effect of the Brimfield Zoning By-law, a reduced waste stream, or the possible complications of dealing with two, not one, host communities.

The June 14 letter also mentioned "...vulnerability to legal challenge..."

As of that date your committee had the following challenges in process:

1. Appeal of the dismissal of our suit that Brimfield had been illegally deprived of status as a host community and that the Warren Local Assessment Committee was illegally constituted. The reason

given for dismissal was that we had failed to exhaust our administrative remedies, but the fact is that the committee had exhausted such remedies and has the signed registered mail receipts to prove its position.

2. A proposed state law requiring extensive personal and financial disclosures by all hazardous waste developers. The committee had reason to believe IT would choose not to make the disclosures. The legislation has been moved from the Joint Committee on Natural Resources to the House Ways and Means Committee, but IT may have made it ineffective by selling its stock to the public in 1983.
3. A petition before the Site Safety Council to declare the proposed facility in violation of the Brimfield Zoning By-law because proposed pipelines, structure, pumping station, and dredging are non-permitted uses in our agricultural-residential and flood plain zones.
4. An appeal from the Site Safety Council's decision that the construction described in the previous paragraph, plus the withdrawal of water from and discharge of waste water into the Quaboag River within our town did not entitle us to host community status.

Our attorneys were James P. Rooney of Palmer and Charles Corkin III of Boston.

Special thanks must go to Carol Jensen who served so ably as our secretary.

Your committee served without compensation and paid its own expenses.

Our total expenditures were \$20,756.37, \$3,267.33 of which came from private donations from STOP-IT of Brimfield and certain individuals who chose to remain anonymous.

With the vote to declare itself out of existence, your committee returns to the town \$17,210.96 of unexpended funds with a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen that an article be placed on the next town meeting warrant to see whether the town will vote to use those funds to reduce the tax rate at the first opportunity.

Richard Raymond, Board of Selectmen member  
Clayton Thomas, M.D., Board of Health member  
Helen Sweeney, Conservation Commission member  
Richard Slewick, Finance Committee member  
J. Bradford Powers, Finance Committee member, replacing Carol Jensen  
George Gross, Chairman, STOP-IT of Brimfield member  
John Curtis, STOP-IT of Brimfield member, replacing John Mortarelli



# BRIMFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010

FY 1984

Circulation: 8813  
Attendance: 4897

Interlibrary Loans: 238  
Holdings: 9594

Our fiscal year started with a very successful reading program. We were pleased that fifty-one children participated in this program which encourages children to read during the summer. Reading is a skill which like typing, tennis or any skill, needs to be practiced frequently. We encourage children to read and to enjoy the library. Twenty-one two to six year olds attended our summer story hours. Story hours include fingerplays and arts & crafts as well as the reading of stories.

The electricians from Tantasqua have made a great deal of progress on the major rewiring job at the library. This project should be completed during the '84-'85 school year.

The town has been fortunate to have had several exhibits in the library by our talented local people. We sincerely thank those people who have shared their artistic ability with us; and we invite anyone who has a collection, artwork, crafts or other items of interest to let us set up a time for exhibiting.

This spring the two fifth grades from the elementary school visited the Sherman Room. Miss Lindblad showed the children our permanent exhibits and told them about our local history. Miss Lindblad is in the Sherman Room every Wednesday afternoon. This year we received twenty-two requests for family genealogies. They were made by visitors living in the area--East Longmeadow, Southbridge etc., by people who traveled through Brimfield on vacation, and by correspondence from descendants in Iowa, Illinois and California.

In April we had a mini-reading program which concluded with a movie, "The Making of Star Wars," on April 19th.

Brimfield receives a great deal of support from the Central Mass. Regional Library System. We are loaned hundreds of books on long term loan as well as the 238 specific films and books requested this fiscal year by patrons, on short term loan. CMRLS also provides workshops and discussion groups which are invaluable to the library staff.

We wish to thank Mrs. David Robertson for her dedicated work as the librarian. Although she resigned this post as of March first, she continues to donate many hours each week as a volunteer and works as an assistant librarian.

My job has been very pleasurable due in large measure to the knowledgeable and considerate board of trustees. My thanks go to them, along with the library staff and volunteer helpers, for their cheerful and capable efforts on the library's behalf. Also, I would thank the Garden Club for their lovely wreath, and the generous people who have donated magazines, books and records to us.

Our hours are: Mon. 6-9 pm; Wed., Thurs., & Sat. 2-6 pm. Books may be left in the book drop in the door or renewed by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,

*Sandra Morris*

Sandra Morris

Salaries: J. Irvine-\$297.10, H. Lindblad-\$455.70, F. McLeish-\$406.97  
J. Smith-\$55.28, B. Robertson-\$1900.00, & S. Morris-\$950.00

## REPORT OF MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

Once again Brimfield was favored with fine weather in which to observe Memorial Day 1984. The record shows that it has seldom rained on our parade.

This year we also were supported by Tantasqua's marching band under leadership of Mr. Peter J. Daley. They did a fine job. For the first time in recent memory our speaker, Mr. Robert Schaeffer, was not a towns person. Apart from that change, the day included traditional exercise at town hall, parade and ice cream for youngsters.

In placing flags and flowers at cemetery and monuments, the committee elected to plant surplus flowers on the town common where one of the old trees had been removed. This has received numerous favorable comments. In future this practice may be continued if indeed there be no great objection.

This year, part of our appropriation was expended for several new veterans' grave markers. We hope to identify and properly mark every veteran gravesite thusly over the next half dozen years.

Your committee thanks all those who help to organize and participate in Brimfield's Decoration Day Observance. For the committee -

Dennis McCurdy  
Chairman

No salary or wages .



## REPORT OF MODERATOR

Herewith my report for fiscal year 1984.

In appreciation of the manner in which town members have conducted themselves at annual and special town meetings, I offer my thanks. We have covered some emotional issues with relative harmony, leaving few scars. Though we may stumble on occasion, our overall view of the democratic process would show it to be alive and well in Brimfield.

Of particular note I congratulate those of you from larger communities having other than town meeting forms of government. Your patience is commendable.

I sincerely hope that oldtimers and newtimers alike will continue to take part in what remains the last bastion of democracy, the town meeting. It is there that Brimfield's future is detailed.

John Prescott  
Moderator

Salary - \$100 P.A.

## TOWN HALL CUSTODIAN REPORT

Last winter we had a couple of problems in the Town Hall. First, water pipes froze up; also the water pump, so that was replaced with a new one. Now we have an automatic water feeder to eliminate any more freeze ups.

The old sump pump has been replaced with a new one. The six rooms in the basement have been finished, paneling, doors, etc.

George Washington as you might know has a clean new look after some hard work by

Three teenage dances were held in the Town Hall by the Junior Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Koslowski

## REPORT OF THE PARKING MAGISTRATE

It would be of no significance to provide a report at this time because Parking Violation hearings are not held until October which determines who must or must not pay a fine for alleged violations during the past May, July and September flea markets. The bulk of money collected by the Town comes after these hearings.

Patricia Lawrence  
Parking Magistrate

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

Report of work on trees on town highways: tree removal on Brookfield Road, Dunhamtown Road, Warren Road and Sutcliffe Road. Low hanging limbs removed from trees on Brookfield Road, Warren Road and Dunhamtown Road.

Last year requested and got: \$200.00 for warden and \$1,000.00 for tree work to be done from July 1984 to June 30, 1985. Request for 1985-86--\$200.00 for warden and \$1,000.00 for tree work.

I wish to ask the townspeople to arrange for a town dump-- at least a dump for brush and stumps. It gets harder every year to do a proper job with no place to put the brush and stumps. Outside tree surgeons don't want to do any cutting if they have to remove the brush etc.

Henry L. Pelletier  
Tree Warden



PLANNING BOARD

**TOWN OF BRIMFIELD**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**  
01010

**REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD**

The Planning Board meets regularly on the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall. All interested townspeople are invited to attend. We welcome input from residents regarding the zoning by-law and the future growth of the Town.

All subdivision survey plans properly submitted during the year were approved by the Board.

At the Annual Town Meeting in May of 1984, the Planning Board submitted four articles to the voters of Brimfield detailing proposed changes in the Zoning By-laws. The Board felt that three of these proposed changes were necessary to bring our by-laws into conformity with Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws.

One of these proposed changes was adopted by the Town and becomes a part of our Zoning By-laws. This clause will allow residents to live temporarily in a mobile home for a period not to exceed one year while rebuilding a dwelling destroyed by a fire or other natural holocaust.

For approval of subdivision plans not requiring the action of the entire Board (adequate frontage on a Town road and adequate acreage), you may contact Dennis McCurdy, the secretary, at his office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Please call 347-9343 for an appointment. All other plans should be presented to the entire Board at a regularly scheduled meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Sutherland, Chairman  
Dennis McCurdy, Secretary  
E. Clarke Brown  
David Killian  
Ed Killian

Salaries - none

## REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

The 1983-84 year provided another successful and enjoyable year for the Recreation Committee and its various programs. The Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony was well attended and fun for all. A new venture for this year involved the sponsorship of 4 youths who successfully completed the Red Cross Junior Life Saving Course. We hope to expand participation in this worthwhile program next year.

Participation in the athletic programs once again involved an impressive percentage of the eligible young people in town:

A. Swimming-	48 participants
B. Soccer-	77 "
C. Basketball-	94 "
D. Baseball-	85 "
E. Softball-	27 "

RECREATION COMMITTEE, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS FOR 1984-85 will be:

Karen and Bob*	Eergstrom	(* Chairperson)
Lynn*	and Ken Lacey	(* Treasurer)
Nilla*	and Ray**	Ciesluk
		(* Secretary, ** Baseball)
Elaine and Ron*	Hevey	(* Basketball)
Jane*	and Tom Clay	(* Swimming)
Diane and Ron	Heagney	
B.J. and John*	Miller	(* Soccer)
Ed Paige		( new member)
Robin and Eric	Bren	( new members)
Marilyn and Fred	Kozyra	( new members)



## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

### School Committee

Harry A. Peters	Term expires 1987
Carter Cooley	Term expires 1985
Frances Tetreault (Mrs.)	Term expires 1986

### Superintendent of Schools

Roland W. Wilson	Brookfield Road, Sturbridge	347-9014
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### School Nurse

Pamela Gentile, R.N.	Holland	245-9855
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### No School Signal

Information will be broadcast over Stations WTAG, WARE, WESO, and WTIC between 6:30 a.m. and 7:30 a.m.

Transportation of pupils is provided both to the elementary school and high schools by the school committee of each town's elementary school. The decision as to whether it is safe or feasible for buses to run to the high schools is made by the Superintendent of Schools.

### School Committee Meetings

The fourth Tuesday of the month throughout the year at 7:30 p.m. at the elementary school.

### Entrance Age of Pupils to Kindergarten

Five years of age on or before the first of January following the opening of school in September.

TANTASQUA & UNION #61 SCHOOL DISTRICTS

1984-85 SCHOOL CALENDAR

September					February				
M	T	W	TH	F	M	T	W	TH	F
		5	6	7					1
10	11	12	13	14	4	5	6	7	8
17	18	19	20	21	11	12	13	14	15
24	25	26	27	28	--	--	--	--	--
					25	26	27	28	
(18)					(15)				
October					March				
1	2	3	4	5					1
--	9	10	11	12	4	5	6	7	8
15	16	17	18	19	11	12	13	14	15
22	23	24	25	26	18	19	20	21	22
29	30	31			25	26	27	28	29
(22)					(21)				
November					April				
			1	2	1	2	3	4	--
5	6	7	8	9	8	9	10	11	12
--	13	14	15	16	--	--	--	--	--
19	20	21*	--	--	22	23	24	25	26
26	27	28	29	30	29	30			
(19)					(16)				
December					May				
3	4	5	6	7			1	2	3
10	11	12	13	14	6	7	8	9	10
17	18	19	20	21	13	14	15	16	17
--	--	--	--	--	20	21	22	23	24
--					--	28	29	30	31
(15)					(22)				
January					June				
		2	3	4	3	4	5	6	7
7	8	9	10	11	10	11	12	13	14
14	--	16	17	18	17	18	19	20	21
21	22	23	24	25	24	25			
28	29	30	31						
(21)					(17)				

186 days

\* $\frac{1}{2}$  Day  
September 4 - Opening Workshop & Preparation  
September 5 - First Full Day of School

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DEGREE</u>	<u>YRS. SERV. BRIMFIELD</u>	<u>TOTAL SERVICE</u>
Superintendent	Roland W. Wilson	B.S., M.Ed., Worc. State Doct. Study, U. Conn.	17	29
Asst. Superintendent	John J. Welch	B.S., Boston University M.A., Framingham State Ed.D., Boston College	2	14
Asst. Superintendent Business & Finance	William J. Utess	B.S., MBA, American Int. Coll.	15	15
Principal	John Gannon	B.S., M.A., Worcester State	4	18
Kindergarten	Denise Ducasse	B.A., Anna Maria College	2	8
Grade 1	Carole Mimeault	B.A., Univ. Mass.	14	14
Grade 1	Frances Souliere	B.A., M.A., Coll. of Lady of Elms	25	30
Grade 2	Constance Thompson	B.S., Madison College	0	6
Grade 2	Susan Bernard	B.S., Worcester State	7	7
Grade 3	Martha Blanchette	B.S., Westfield State	0	5
Grade 3	Anne Dupont	B.A., Northwestern Univ. M.A., Worcester State	15	15
Grade 4	Donna Weaver	B.S., Westfield State	4	5
Grade 5	Chris B. Schell	BBA, Univ. Mass. M.A., Worcester State	14	15
Grade 5	Elizabeth Ahern	B.S., Westfield State	19	19
Grade 6	Peter Smith	B.A., Univ. Mass.	7	7
Grade 6	Christine DeCaro	B.S., Westfield State	0	5

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DEGREE</u>	<u>YRS. SERV. BRIMFIELD</u>	<u>TOTAL SERVICE</u>
Music (Vocal & Instru.)	Judith Smith	B.M., Barrington College	6	7
Remedial Reading	Catherine Haley	B.A., Univ. Mass. M.Ed., American Int. Coll.	2	25
Art	Mary Goodrich	B.S., Univ. New Hampshire	15	19
Psychologist	Jeanne Peloquin	B.A., M.A., CAGS Assumption College	0	3
Physical Education	Mark Muska	B.S., Springfield College	0	0
Speech Therapist	Elizabeth Charron	B.S., Worcester State	4	6
Mod. Special Needs	Paul Szolusha	B.A., Purdue University	6	6
Mod. Special Needs	Ethlyn Dorrington	B.A., Boston College	5	5



SCHOOL ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1983

<u>Grade</u>	<u>K</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Sp. Ed.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Elementary	28	39	42	32	27	39	39	2	248
<u>Grade</u>		<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>PG</u>	
Tantasqua Junior		42	41	26					109
Tantasqua Senior					33	36	27		96
Tantasqua Vocational				6	5	3	6	1	<u>21</u>
TOTAL ENROLLMENT									474

REPORT OF THE  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The school committee continues to be challenged by the conflict between its desire and obligation to provide the opportunity for a quality education for all the children of Brimfield and the financial cost of doing so. Financial limitations continued to have serious impact on Brimfield Elementary school during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1984 and on the budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 1985.

The budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1985 continues the reduced staffing level of the prior year. The budget for fiscal 1985 is \$680,601, an increase of \$30,675 or 4.7% over the amount appropriated for the prior year. Most of the increase is for salaries of the teaching staff. Unexpected changes in pupil enrollment, staff resignations, or a change of even one special needs student can have a major impact on the school committee's ability to carry out the budget as planned.

The state Department of Education suit against the school committee seeking payment of certain special needs costs for a non-resident child was dismissed in early 1984. In late June, 1984, the committee received notification that the state again will seek payment from Brimfield of these costs, which were projected at an annual rate of \$33,000 and were retroactive to January 1983. The school committee, based on legal advice, maintains its belief that Brimfield is not financially responsible for these costs. There is nothing in the budget for these costs. Obviously, paying these costs would have a severe impact on the school budget.

As we face the future challenges of providing Brimfield children with quality educational opportunities within the financial restrictions imposed, we are encouraged by the positive response of people such as those volunteers who enable us to keep the school library open and all the other people whose continuing conscientious and dedicated efforts help to provide an education for the children of Brimfield. These people include Superintendent Roland Wilson and his staff, our teaching staff, our teacher aides and learning disability tutors, Mrs. Alma Howlett and her cafeteria staff, chief custodian George Moran and his staff, Richard Souliere and his bus drivers, and the Friends of Brimfield Elementary School members and supporters. The committee appreciates the support shown by each of these people and by all of the people of Brimfield.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harry Peters, Chairman  
Carter Cooley, Secretary  
Frances Tetreault, Tantasqua  
Representative

## FINANCIAL SHEET FOR 1983-1984

School Appropriations July 1983 - June 1984

\$649,926.00

Expenditures:Administration:

School Committee	2,631.26
Superintendent's Office	15,577.53

Instruction:

Principal's Salary	29,732.88
Clerical Salary	10,225.00
Principal's Office-Other Expenses	1,290.80
Teachers' Salaries	243,599.80
Substitute Teachers	2,955.00
Teacher Aides - Salaries	1,363.25
Supplies & Materials	10,292.58
Personnel Training & Travel	224.00
Special Education Salaries (Perceptually Handicapped & Speech)	42,884.94
Textbooks	1,949.92
Library Services	424.73
Audio Visual	948.52
Guidance Services - Salaries	7,642.86
Supplies & Materials-Testing & Speech	1,889.03
Psychological Services	165.80

Other School Services:

Attendance	50.00
Health Services	6,695.41

Other School Services: (Continued)

Pupil Transportation	92,984.24
Late Bus Transportation	2,544.21
Special Education Transportation	20,774.20
Food Services	-0-
Field Trips	-0-

Operation & Maintenance of Plant:

Custodial Salaries - School	34,016.40
Supplies & Materials	4,498.06
Fuel	19,114.66
Gas	524.08
Utilities - Adm. Off.	289.28
Utilities - School	18,947.30
Maintenance of Grounds	1,040.79
Maintenance of Building	3,723.73
Maintenance of Equipment - Adm. Off.	356.87
Maintenance of Equipment - School	3,982.03

Acquisition of Fixed Assets:

New Equipment - School	4,251.47
New Equipment - Library	1,453.03
Replacement of Equipment - Adm. Off.	48.83
Replacement of Equipment - School	-0-

Programs with Other Districts: Regional and Private Schools

Special Education Tuition	42,580.86
Vocational Tuition & Transportation	6,367.50

Total Appropriations Expenditures July 1983 - June 1984

\$638,040.85



Estimated State Reimbursements:

Chapter 70	\$164,742.00
Chapter 71	73,251.00
Chapter 71a	3,068.00
Chapter 76	2,800.00
Total Estimated Reimbursements	<u>243,861.00</u>

Total Expenditures	\$638,040.85
Less Estimated Reimbursements	243,861.00
Cost to Taxpayer	<u>394,179.85</u>

1984-1985 Budget

Administration	\$ 17,491.00
Instruction	391,755.00
Other School Services	128,916.00
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	94,175.00
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	2,014.00
Programs with Other Districts, Regional & Private School	46,250.00
Total 1984-1985 Appropriation	<u>\$680,601.00</u>
*(Special Needs Program included in Budget)	
2000 Instruction	\$ 43,431.00
1000,3000,4000 Series	32,659.00
9000 Programs with other Districts	35,000.00
	<u>\$ 111,090.00</u>

## School Union 61

BRIMFIELD - BROOKFIELD - HOLLAND - STURBRIDGE - WALES



**Brimfield Elementary School**

**Wales Road**

**Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010**

**JOHN T. GANNON**  
PRINCIPAL

TEL. 245-7337  
AREA CODE 413

The 1983-84 school year at Brimfield Elementary School was characterized by a number of changes. These changes took place in the areas of personnel, curriculum, and the physical plant.

First, I would like to point out the educational changes which punctuated the school year. The staff at Brimfield Elementary School set a major goal for themselves by working through a committee to adopt a new spelling program. This program will be employed in grades two through six. I would like to thank the following teachers for their dedication in working as a committee to select the Steck-Vaughan program: Mrs. Ann Ahern, Mrs. Susan Bernard, Mrs. Anne Dupont, Mrs. Catherine Haley and Mr. Chris Schell.

During the school year, two programs continued to gain in strength. The Cape Cod Outdoor Education Program completed its seventh year. The town of Brimfield must be commended on their support of the fund raisers which have been so successful. Along with the Cape Cod Program, is the successful PreSchool Program for children ages three and four and their parents. This program is successful because of volunteer parents and our dedicated staff.

This year saw the expansion of the Great Books Program to grade four. Under the direction of Mrs. Haley, gifted readers in grades 4, 5, & 6 are able to expand their horizons. Mrs. Robertson has volunteered her time and energies to expand this program.

One of the strong programs to emerge from the 1983-84 school year was the Volunteer Program. Since funds were cut back to operate a full library program in 1982, volunteers under the direction of Mrs. Robertson, have filled this void. Now children can use the library for the full day. Volunteers have assisted in the classroom and in the clerical area. We are all thankful to these wonderful ladies and gentlemen.

During the school year a committee was established to investigate the possibility of a Gifted and Talented Program at Brimfield Elementary School. This committee will continue to function and expand in the future.

Brimfield students continue to put forth strong efforts on the Competency Testing Program. Each year they are tested in their ability to read, compute, write and listen. Last year, the minimal standards in grades three and six were raised in School Union 61. Brimfield students continue to pass by better than ninety percent.

The past ten years has been the visual equipment used in the classrooms. Thanks to the generosity of the Friends of Brimfield Elementary School, we now have three new filmstrip projectors, four new tape recorders and a new overhead projector.

One can also see changes in the physical plant. In an effort to make the building more energy efficient, new windows were installed on the north side of the building. This should help to hold in heat and make the building more attractive. George Moran and his staff of custodians have worked hard to keep this building in excellent condition. This, along with the school lunch program directed by Alma Howlett, help make Brimfield Elementary School an attractive site for children and staff. I thank them for their dedication and assistance.

The changes in personnel are complicated because of maternity leaves, resignations and appointments. This is a list of the 1983-84 changes:

Megan Bernier	Grade 2	Maternity Leave
Adrienne Bencivenni	Grade 4	Maternity Leave
Richard Ervin	Psychologist	Resignation
Sandra Gibson	Grade 5	Resignation
Charles Summers	Physical Ed.	Resignation
Christine DeCaro	Grade 6	Appointment
Constance Thompson	Grade 2	Appointment
Mark Muska	Physical Ed.	Appointment
Jeanne Peloquin	Psychologist	Appointment

It should be noted that Mrs. Gibson had been at Brimfield Elementary School for several years. She has left to teach in Texas. We wish her well.

During the school year, we were forced to split our third grade, because it increased to thirty-one students. Mrs. Martha Blanchette came to us in December and taught half of these children during the morning session.

Finally, I would like to thank the dedicated people at Brimfield Elementary School for their support and desire to make Brimfield Elementary School the best possible school for children. Also, I would like to thank the School Committee and the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Roland Wilson, for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

John T. Gannon



## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

As we enter 1985, our schools face the very serious financial constraints imposed by Proposition 2 1/2. Services in our schools are slowly being withdrawn. The reduction of needed maintenance, capital outlay items and staff are having a direct impact on students in our schools.

At Tantasqua Regional, maintenance needs are now imperative. Capital replacement programs non-existent for three years pose serious problems and have decreased our ability to function efficiently. Staff is slowly decreasing and class sizes are increasing. Many classes at both schools are now thirty-four and thirty-five students in a class. Further increase in class size is very detrimental to teaching efficiency.

To maintain class size, and still reduce our budget, we must begin to reduce programs within the school. If we are to meet the requirements of Proposition 2 1/2, guidance, home economics, sports, physical education, industrial arts, and other programs must be further reduced.

In the past year, the regional district has returned two large sums to the member towns. The first was \$111,136. of additional reimbursements under Chapter 645. The other was a requirement of the pass-through procedure. As a result, no part of the additional \$237,853. in Chapter 70 reimbursement came to the regional district. This fact combined with a shortfall in reimbursements in Chapter 71, Section 16 (Regional Reimbursement) left us short \$28,205. in anticipated revenue, and therefore reduced our budget even further.

At Brimfield Elementary, we were fortunate to receive \$10,645. to supplement the additional special education costs through Finance Committee recommendation and Town Meeting action.

Wales voters approved supplementary funds for Wales Elementary School costs and services to replace funds removed at the annual town meeting.



Brookfield voters provided \$22,638. to supplement the Brookfield Elementary School.

Sturbridge voters approved \$20,500. to provide for unforeseen boiler replacement for Burgess Elementary School.

Legislation filed by the Tantasqua Regional School Committee through Senator Wetmore created a change in legislation making the five Tantasqua towns eligible for approximately \$75,000 in regional school transportation reimbursement. Monies returned will be reimbursed directly to the individual towns.

Federal funds continue to provide needed services to our member towns. Chapter I funds provide \$148,000. used primarily to foster remedial reading and mathematics improvement.

Federal funds also provide \$20,262. in vocational entitlement funds under P.L. 94-482. They also provide \$86,520. under P.L. 94-142 for special education services at Tantasqua Regional Junior and Senior High Schools and School Union #61.

Through the efforts of John Welch, Assistant Superintendent; Mr. Francis Simanski, Tantasqua Senior High Principal; David Roach, Principal of Tantasqua Regional Junior High School; and Steve Ristau of Tri-Link, Tantasqua was awarded a Bureau of Criminal Justice Grant in the amount of \$36,000. for a period of three years totaling \$108,000. This grant is for the support of a model in-school suspension program.

Administrative changes have resulted in new Principals at Tantasqua Regional High School, Tantasqua Regional Junior High School, Wales Elementary and Brookfield Elementary School.

Mr. Francis Simanski was appointed Principal of Tantasqua Regional High School. Mr. Simanski was selected from a large field of very capable applicants.

Prior to his service at Tantasqua, Mr. Simanski served as Assistant Principal of Longmeadow High School.

At Tantasqua Junior High Mr. David Roach, formerly Assistant Principal of Tantasqua Junior High, was appointed Principal of Tantasqua Junior High from a field of well qualified applicants.

Dr. John Keedy of Walpole, Massachusetts was appointed Principal of Brookfield Elementary School. Dr. Keedy succeeds Carl Batchelder who was appointed to an Assistant Superintendency in New Hampshire.

Mr. Bruce Garrow was appointed Principal of Wales Elementary School to replace Robert Vaughan who was appointed to a Principalship in Lenox.

Our country, our state and the general public are demanding better education, better qualified teachers, more emphasis on computers, additional funds for merit pay, and a longer school year. It becomes more and more difficult to respond as funds become less and less available for schools.

In conclusion, I must make you aware that these severe financial restrictions will continue to erode the quality education offered in our schools. Parents, school committees, town officials, teachers and students must be aware of the free basic education requirement of democracy.

Finally, my thanks to the citizens of our district for their support, the school committees for their hard work and perseverance, and the administration for their leadership.

Respectfully submitted,

Roland W. Wilson  
Superintendent of Schools

# TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

## Teaching Staff Salaries 1983-1984

<u>Principal</u>	
John Gannon	\$ 28,935.00
<u>Teachers</u>	
Elizabeth Ahern	19,088.47
Susan Bernard	16,410.37
Martha Elanchette	4,700.64
Christine DeCaro	15,170.05
Denise Ducasse	14,935.90
Anne Dupont	19,457.73
Mary Goodrich (Art-Shared)	8,103.09
Catherine Haley	20,097.73
Carole Mimeault	19,817.73
Mark Miska (Phys.Ed. Shared)	7,874.54
Chris Schell	19,577.73
Judith Smith (Instr.&Vocal Music-Shared)	9,942.22
Peter Smith	17,937.65
Frances Souliere	20,766.96
Constance Thompson	14,049.67
Donna Weaver	15,993.66
<u>Speech Therapist</u>	
Elizabeth Charron	6,793.54
<u>Guidance</u>	
Jeanne Pelouquin	7,297.62
<u>Moderate Special Needs</u>	
Ethlyn Dorrington	15,470.05
Paul Szolusha	16,643.85
<u>Nurse</u>	
Pamela Gentile	5,231.08
<u>Principal's Office</u>	
Joan Erban	10,225.00
<u>Library Aide</u>	
Bronwyn Robertson	3.65 hr.
<u>Special Needs Aide</u>	
Beverly Phifer	3.65 hr.
<u>Nurse's Aide</u>	
Joan Erban	3.15 hr.
<u>Custodians</u>	
George Moran	5.95 hr.
George Stanton	4.90 hr.
Roger Underwood	4.95 hr.



TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
01010

OFFICE OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

This report must, of necessity, be rather unconventional this year, as it is impossible for me to prepare a standard report of the amounts committed and collected during FY1984 at this time. I was not appointed to this office until after the close of the fiscal year. The Tax Collector's books are presently undergoing review by the Department of Revenue. It is very important that everyone who has received an audit notice from their office should check their records closely and reply as soon as possible if a payment has been made which is not shown on the Town's books. At the completion of their audit, I expect to know the actual amounts collected during FY 1984.

The Tax Collector's office is open on Monday Nights from 7 to 9 PM at the Town Hall, and also by appointment. For an appointment, please call me at home at 245-9307. Payments can also be mailed to P.O. Box 46, Brimfield.

I would also like to express my thanks to all the State Auditors for the great help that their fiscal assistance program has been to me in assuming this job.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Sutherland  
Temporary Tax Collector  
appointed Nov. 1, 1984



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April 1, 1985

FOR THE ANNUAL REPORT:

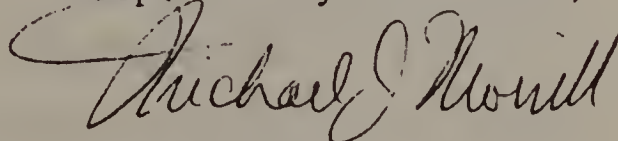
Other than the usual legal opinions given in response to requests by the Selectmen and the duly authorized Boards and Officials of the Town, there were several significant dispositions in two of the law suits pending against the Town of Brimfield.

The long standing case of Shelton-Grove and Sturtevant against the Board of Selectmen, the Building Inspector and the Chief of Police was disposed of by a stipulation for judgment. The disposition of the case was made easier by a vote of the Town settling the zoning situation in the area of the three (3) properties which had been the subject of the law suit.

The case of Ried v. Town of Brimfield was also settled by a stipulation for judgment dismissing the case. This case sought to invalidate the so-called "flea market by-law".

A law suit was filed in behalf of the Town in the matter of the Selectmen and the Zoning Board of Appeals vs. Louis Braica. We brought this law suit in order to restrain the removal of soil, loam and sand in a residential-agricultural zoning district in violation of the zoning by-laws. The case also sought to prevent the endangering of the abutting properties by removing the lateral support from abutting land and roads. The Town obtained the injunction which was sought.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael J. Morrill  
Town Counsel

BRIMFIELD  
HAMPDEN  
HOLLAND  
MONSON  
WALES

VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
DISTRICT OF EASTERN HAMPDEN COUNTY  
MONSON, MASSACHUSETTS  
01057

REPORT VETERANS' SERVICES DEPT.

February 28, 1985

Board of Selectmen  
Brimfield, MA 01010

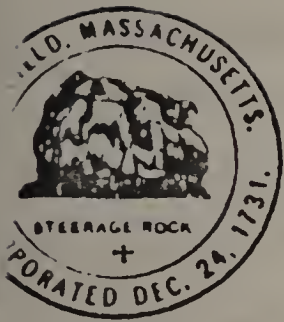
In 1984 there were four families aided by the Veterans' Services Department involving five people.

Total amount expended during the first six months of the year was \$3,569.07 of which 50% is reimbursed by the State, the Town's share being \$1,784.54. The total amount expended the last six months of the year was \$5,181.70. Beginning 1 July 1984 under the provisions of Chapter 115 reimbursement is 75% by the State, the Town's share being \$1,295.43.

Under the provisions of Chapter 115 of the General Laws as amended veterans and their dependents were granted financial assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

*Bert B. Nietupski*  
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Director of Veterans' Services



**TOWN OF BRIMFIELD**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**  
**Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010**

**REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS (1984)**

The Board received an application from the Springfield Motorcycle Club. However, since the Club had come before the Board less than two years prior to this second time, under General Laws Chapter 40A, Section 16, the Club cannot make application to the Zoning Board and were advised of this fact. They were made aware that they may apply after the two year period has expired.

There were no hearings before the Board.

Applications for hearings are available at the office of the Town Clerk.

The Board has only three powers:

1. To hear appeals from decisions of the Zoning Officer.
2. To grant special permits for uses specially permittable by the Zoning By-law.
3. To grant variances to qualified applicants under the conditions of the Zoning By-law. Under our law, use variances are not allowed, only dimensional variances.

The Board has no employees, but contracts for addressing, mailing, and stenographic services. Salaries of Board members are zero.

Respectfully submitted,

:

George C. Gross, Chairman



## ACTION TAKEN AT TOWN MEETINGS

### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING - November 7, 1983

Article 1. Motion defeated to petition the legislature regarding dog licensing.

Article 2. Voted to join with the Town of Holland for construction & operation of a dog pound on an equal share basis.

Article 3. Voted to transfer \$10,645 from RS for special education tuitions.

Article 4. Voted the sum of \$1,000 be transferred from RS for the Shared Ad. Assistant Program together with the Towns of Holland and/or Wales.

Article 5. Voted that the sum of \$2,250 be taken from RS for renovation and refurbishing of departmental offices.

Article 6. Voted to take no action for town hall repairs.

Article 7. Voted the sum of \$5,000 be taken from RS for the purpose of pug mix to be used at Lake Sherman and Little Alum.

Article 8. Voted that the sum of \$18,342.00 in free cash be applied to reduce the tax rate for FY 84.

### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING - May 14, 1984

Article 1. Reports of the town officers and agents of the town be accepted as printed without reading, noting, however, that the timing of the report violates the town by-laws, and respectfully requesting the Selectmen in the future to treat town meeting action as law and to engage in no activities not authorized by the town meeting and with the addition of a list of police officers and amounts paid to them for town services and for flea market services in FY 1983, as required by Article VII, Section 2 of the General By-laws.

Article 2. Voted that the salaries of elected town officers be approved.

Article 3. Voted that the budget be accepted as amended.

Article 4. Voted to take no action regarding unpaid bills for FY 84.

Article 5. Voted to take no action regarding unpaid bills for FY83 and earlier.

Article 6. Voted to authorize the selectmen to form a committee to investigate the feasibility of secession of the Town of Brimfield from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Article 7. Voted that the sum of \$32,400 be taken from RS to purchase a diesel powered cab and chasis and new sander body and dump body.

Article 8. Voted that \$6,500 be taken from RS to purchase a plow blade ram and plow frame.

Article 9. Voted that the sum of \$15,360 be R&A for ambulance service for FY 85.

Article 10. Voted to R&A \$7,000 for the use of the Brimfield Legal Committee.

Article 11. Voted to transfer from RS \$12,000 for windows at the elementary school.

Article 12. Voted to transfer \$2,800 from RS for a smoke alarm system in the elementary school.

Article 13. Voted to transfer from the Comp. Ins. Fund \$3,800 together with the sum of \$2,700 to be R&A to purchase compensation insurance.

Article 14. Voted that the town purchase a water supply truck for \$70,000.

Article 15. Voted to appropriate \$1,100 from Article 16, ATM 5-9-83 to upgrade and winterize dog care facilities.



- Article 16. Voted to R&A \$3,000 for the Shared Admin. Assistant Program.
- Article 17. Voted to take no action for repairs to town hall offices.
- Article 18. Voted to R&A \$1,500 for publishing assessors' valuation list.
- Article 19. Voted to R&A \$8,956 for construction, reconstruction, etc. of town roads.
- Article 20. Voted to R&A \$214 for home care services.
- Article 21. Voted to R&A \$375 for civil defense.
- Article 22. Voted that reimbursements from county dog expenses be used for the Library.
- Article 23. Voted to authorize the Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of Revenue.
- Article 24. Voted to authorize the Treasurer to borrow in anticipaiton of reimbursement.
- Article 25. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell Tax Title Property at public auction.
- Article 26. Voted to R&A \$5,500 for the Stabilization Fund.
- Article 27. Voted to transfer from RS \$3,000 for repairing or replacing doors at the fire station and town barn.
- Article 28. Voted to take no action regarding change in town reports.
- Article 29. Voted to accept a River and Stream Protection By-Law
- Article 30. Voted to grant a right of way to Charles R. and Judith J. Hitchcock.
- Article 31. Voted to take no action on the hunting by-law.
- Article 32. Voted to take no action regarding hunting signs.
- Article 33. Voted to transfer \$15,000 from the Flea Market Revolving Fund and \$1,500 from the Parking Ticket Revolving Fund to reduce the tax rate for FY 85.
- Article 34. Voted to R&A \$2,000 for a water test program.
- Article 35. Voted to transfer \$810 from RS for a fireproof filing cabinet for Town Clerk.
- Article 36. Voted to take no action for amendment for dwelling floor space.
- Article 37. Voted to strike "provided such activity is carried on at least 500 feet from any property line" from Article XII, Section IV-B 1-d of our by-laws.
- Article 38. Voted to adopt the by-law amendment relative to use of trailers after destruction of a residence.
- Article 39. Voted to take no action on this article regarding use of trailers.
- Article 40. Voted to R&A \$5,000 for road repairs at Lake Sherman.
- Article 41. Voted to R&A \$2,000 for contributing to Tri-Link, Inc.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris S. Podlasek  
Town Clerk

Salary \$2,800

This will be an entirely new article.

Section 1  
AUTHORIZATION

Part A

Pursuant to the authority contained in Sections 108A and 108C of Chapter 41 of the General laws, there shall be established plans which may be amended from time to time by a vote of the Town: (a) classifying positions in the service of the Town, other than those filled by popular election, and certain part-time and seasonal positions, into groups and classes doing substantially similar work or having substantially equal responsibilities; (b) authorizing a compensation plan for positions in the classification plan; (c) providing for the administration of said classification and compensation plans; and (d) establishing certain working conditions and fringe benefits for employees occupying positions in the classification plan.

Part B

The classification and compensation plans, prescribed working conditions and fringe benefits replace existing salary and wage rates and non-wage provisions governing employment as set forth in the Town By-Laws.

Part C

These plans exclude employment by Union 61 and/or Brimfield Elementary School and any contractual agreements for services.

Section 2  
ADMINISTRATION

Part A

The Board of Selectmen shall be responsible for the administration of the classification and compensation plans, fringe benefits and other features of this By-Law.

Part B

The Board may from time to time make and issue regulations consistent with the provisions of this By-Law that are necessary for its administration.

Part C

A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. A majority vote of the Board shall determine the action the Board must take in all matters upon which it is authorized or required to pass under this By-Law.

Part D

The provisions of the Personnel By-Law and regulations of the Board shall be binding on all Town officials and employees and all questions of doubt or dispute relative to interpretation shall be settled by the Board.

### Section 3

#### SCOPE OF THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN

##### Part A

All new employees of the Town shall be considered to be temporary employees during the first ((6)) months of service. At the end of six months, each employee's status will be reviewed by their respective department head and the Board, after which she/he will be given permanent status or leave of service to the Town.

##### Part B

The wage or salary of any individual hired by the Town shall ordinarily be set at the minimum for the position for which she/he is hired. However, the Board may authorize an entrance rate higher than the minimum, but not in excess of the maximum rate, upon recommendation of a department head and/or the Board, supported by evidence in writing of special reason and exceptional circumstances satisfactory to the Board and such other variance in the classification and compensation plans as it may deem necessary for the proper functioning of the service of the Town.

##### Part C

Any employee receiving a promotion to a vacant position or to a newly created position shall, upon reassignment resulting from such promotion, receive a rate commensurate with the experience of the employee and the type of position.

### Section 4

#### CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLANS

##### Part A

All positions in the service of the Town, except those excluded in Section 1, Part C, are hereby classified by titles appearing in Schedule A of this by-law, which is made a part thereof. These classes of positions shall constitute the Classification Plan for paid Town service, within the meaning of Section 108A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as amended.

##### Part B

The Board shall maintain written job descriptions or specifications of the classes in the Classification Plan, each consisting of a statement describing the essential nature of the work and the characteristics that distinguish the class from other classes. The description of any class shall be construed solely as a means of identification and not as prescribing what the duties or responsibilities of any position shall be, or as modifying, or in any way affecting, the power of any administrative authority, to appoint, to assign duties to, direct and control work of any employee under the jurisdiction of such authority.



Section 5  
CONDUCT OF EMPLOYEES

Part A  
Hours of Work

The total hours of work for each position shall be provided in the administrative regulations, collective bargaining agreements, or job descriptions, as the case may be.

Part B  
Attendance

An employee shall be in attendance at regular work in accordance with these rules and regulations. If required by the Board, all departments shall maintain attendance records for all employees and shall make periodic reports of such attendance.

Part C  
Overtime

Paragraph I  
Hourly employees

Hourly employees shall receive pay at time and a half if they are required to work more than forty hours a week, unless a longer or shorter work-week is established for a department, in which case overtime shall be authorized time worked by an employee in excess of that figure. Compensatory time can be authorized in these circumstances.

Paragraph II  
Department Heads

For department heads, attendance at meetings of town agencies and nominal overtime will be considered part of the duties of the position. Department heads will not ordinarily be eligible for compensation in compensatory time or pay. The Board may grant compensatory time off to a department head who has worked frequent or long overtime, without compensation in pay. The Board shall determine the fair amount of compensatory time to be taken and the time period within the compensatory time must be taken, so that the department head may be fairly compensated without any adverse effects on the town operations.

Part D  
Outside employment

No employee shall engage in any other employment which:  
(a) in any manner interferes with the proper and effective performance of the duties of his/her position;  
(b) results in a conflict of interest; or  
(c) it is reasonable to anticipate may subject the Town to public criticism or embarrassment.



If the Board determines that such outside employment, as enumerated above, is disadvantageous to the Town, such employment shall be terminated upon notification in writing by the Board. the appeals procedure available is spelled out in Section 8.

#### Part E

##### Preference of Town Employment

Any full-time employee who engages in employment outside of her/his regular working hours shall be subject to call by the appointing authority to perform her/his regular town duties first.

#### Part F

##### Illness and Injury

The Town shall in no way be liable or grant injury leave in case of any injury to an employee while he/she is engaged in outside employment in any occupational illness or accident attributed thereto.

#### Part G

##### Privileged Information

Many Town employees deal with plans and programs of significant public interest. Employees must not use this privileged information to their own financial interest or to provide friends or acquaintances with financial advantages, or information which could be used for financial advantages. If an employee finds that she/he has an outside financial interest which could be affected by Town plans, he/she must immediately report the situation to her/his superior. Each employee is charged with the responsibility of insuring that he/she releases only information that should be made available to the general public. Violation of privileged information or use thereof for private gain can be just cause for discharge of the employee if so determined by the Board. Appeals procedure for employees is contained in Section 8.

#### Part H

##### Political Activity

No town employee who is a candidate for office in the Town may campaign during his/her regular town working hours.

#### Section 6

##### SALARY INCREASES

An employee in continuous employment shall be eligible to receive salary increases as recommended by the department head or Board chairman, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen and final ratification by a majority vote at a special or annual town meeting.

Section 7  
FRINGE BENEFITS

Part A

Pursuant to the authority contained in Section 108C of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, certain fringe benefits as set forth in subsequent sections of this bylaw are hereby granted to permanent employees. The fringe benefits are considered to be a part of the compensation plan and the monetary value thereof shall be extended to eligible employees in addition to rates set forth in the appropriate salary or wage schedule.

All employees who are scheduled to work for 20 or more hours per work week are eligible for fringe benefits.

Part B  
Vacation

Paragraph I

All employees scheduled to work 20 or more hours per work week are to be granted paid vacation leave in accordance with the following schedule:

For more than one year but less than five years of service; 10 days vacation with pay.

For more than five years but less than fifteen years of service; 15 days vacation with pay.

For more than fifteen years of service 20 days vacation with pay.

Paragraph II

The assignment of vacation leave shall be arranged by the supervisor, department head, or Board chairman for such times as may best serve the public interest. In those positions not affected by summer population demands, vacations may be scheduled all year around. Those positions affected by the summer tourist season shall schedule their vacations during the summer only when public service will not suffer from lack of manpower.

Paragraph III

Any vacation that has been postponed at the request of the department due to an emergency or other unforeseen circumstances shall be made up to the employee as soon as is possible thereafter, in the opinion of the department head.

Paragraph IV

Vacation time may be accrued, up to 5 days per year, with a maximum accrued amount of vacation time of 15 days.

Paragraph V

Unused vacation time is lost at the end of the year (December 31). The Board may make an exception and allow the employee to carry over unused vacation time into the next year, providing that the carried over vacation time is used in the first 120 days of the new year.

Paragraph VI

Whenever a holiday occurs during the time the employee is on vacation, the holiday is not counted as a vacation day.

Paragraph VII

An employee who has exhausted her/his sick time may, with the approval of the Board, use her/his vacation time for sick leave.

Paragraph VIII

An employee who is sick on her/his vacation may not charge the time to sick time unless she/he is sick for a minimum of 3 days and submits to the department head a physician's certificate describing the length and nature of the illness.

Paragraph IX

Employees who terminate their service to the Town in good standing shall be paid for any vacation time due to them, in accordance with Section 7, Part B.

Paragraph X

If an employee dies while in service of the town, her/his estate shall be paid any vacation time that was due to the employee, in accordance with Section 7, Part B.

Paragraph XI

Employees who leave Town service in good standing are entitled to the benefits of seniority, if they are rehired, for the time periods when they were on the town payroll.

Paragraph XII

An employee may not be paid for vacation leave earned and not used, except as provided in Section 7.

Part C

Paid Holidays

Paragraph I

The following days shall be recognized as legal holidays within the meaning of this bylaw:

New Year's Day	Labor Day
Martin Luther King Day	Columbus Day
President's Day	Veteran's Day
Patriots Day	Thanksgiving Day
Memorial Day	Christmas Day
Independence Day	

On these days, employees shall be excused from all duty not required to maintain essential Town services.

Paragraph II

Every employee shall be entitled to these holidays on the following terms:

If paid on an hourly basis he/she shall receive one day's pay at their regular rate based on the number of hours worked on the day on which the designated holiday occurs.

If paid on an annual basis, he/she shall be granted each designated holiday without loss of pay.



Paragraph III

Whenever a holiday, set forth in Section 7, Part c, Paragraph 1, falls on a Sunday, the following day shall be considered a legal holiday. When said holiday falls on a Saturday, the previous day shall be considered a legal holiday.

Paragraph IV

Any employee who is required to work on a holiday shall receive pay at the rate of double time. The Board shall determine which employees are required to work on holidays.

Paragraph V

A part-time employee in continuous employment shall be entitled to these designated holidays provided that the holiday occurs on a scheduled work day for that employee.

Paragraph VI

Floating holidays may be designated and granted to the entire department by the department head and with the approval of the Board of Selectmen and limited to not more than two holidays per year.

Part D

Sick Leave

Paragraph I

An employee shall be allowed paid leave of 5 days per year, provided such leave is caused by sickness or injury or by exposure to contagious disease.

Paragraph II

Sick leave may be accrued up a maximum of 10 working days.

Paragraph III

If the amount of leave provided under subsection (b) has been or is about to be exhausted, an employee may make application for additional allowances as it may determine to be equitable after reviewing all circumstances including the employee's attendance and performance record prior to conditions supporting her/his request for the additional allowance.

Paragraph IV

The Board may, of its own motion, require a medical examination for any employee who is out for more than five consecutive days. The examination shall be at the expense of the Town and be conducted by a physician appointed by the Board.

Paragraph V

Payments made under provisions of this Section shall be limited in the case of an employee who is receiving Workman's Compensation payments to the difference between the amount paid in Workman's compensation and the employee's regular rate. The Board shall debit the employee's sick leave accrual by such amounts as it determines to be equitable in relation to such payments.



Paragraph VI

A record of sick leave accrued and granted will be kept by the supervisor or department head or Board chairman and be available at all times upon request to the Board of Selectmen or their designees.

Paragraph VII

Employees with more than 10 years of service upon terminating town employment, shall be paid the value of 50% of their accumulated sick leave.

Paragraph VIII

Nothing in this Section shall be construed to conflict with Section 100 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws.

Part E

Bereavement Leave

Upon a death in the immediate family, an employee, after notifying the Board, may be permitted a paid bereavement leave of not more than ((3)) days. The immediate family shall be deemed to include husband, wife, father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, or grandparents or a close relative living in the same household. No leave will be paid for services which occur during paid holidays, or paid vacations.

Part F

Military leave

Paragraph I

A permanent employee who, as a member of the U.S. Military Reserves or National Guard, is required to serve on active military duty, summer camp or other specified training sessions, shall be given this specified leave and be reimbursed the difference between the employee's military pay and normal salary for a period of not more than 2 weeks.

Paragraph II

A military leave of absence without compensation shall be granted to each employee called to active duty with the Armed Forces of the Commonwealth or of the United States for purposes other than the military duty referred to in the preceding paragraph.

Part G

Jury Duty

Paragraph I

An employee summoned to jury duty will be excused for the time required to perform this duty and shall receive an amount equal to the difference between his/her normal compensation and the amount (excluding travel allowance) received from the court.

Paragraph II

If said employee is excused from jury duty prior to 12:00 noon, she/he will be required to report to work by 1:00 pm.

### Paragraph III

The employee must forward a copy of his/her jury summons to the supervisor, department head, or Board chairman as well as an account from the Court of the number of days served and gross pay received for jury duty. These records will be used in the preparation of the employee's payroll check.

### Part G

#### Leaves of Absence

Leaves of Absence may be granted by the supervisor, department head, or Board chairman, but shall be without compensation.

### Part H

#### Personal Leave

Leaves of a personal nature may be granted by the supervisor, department head, or Board chairman, but shall be without compensation.

### Part I

#### Maternity Leave

#### Paragraph I

Upon application of the employee, a maternity leave of absence shall be granted, without pay, to female employees who have been employed at least 1 year before said application, said leave to commence at the time recommended by her doctor and to extend for a period not to exceed 3 months after the birth of the child. If an employee who has been granted a maternity leave in accordance with this provision, fails to return to work upon expiration of such leave shall be deemed to have voluntarily terminated her employment.

#### Paragraph II

Any employee who returns to work within the 3-month period shall retain all seniority rights and benefits due permanent employees.

#### Paragraph III

In compliance with the Pregnancy Disability Amendment to Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 95-555) accrued sick leave benefits may be used by an employee while on maternity leave, for such a period an employee is physically disabled from resuming her duties. Utilization of sick leave benefits may begin upon approval of the Board and shall automatically terminate within six weeks.

#### Paragraph IV

A doctor's certification of the employee's disability is a pre-condition of all leave under this section.

Part J  
Health Insurance

The Town, through the Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Massachusetts maintains Blue Cross/Blue Shield insurance for its employees. The Town absorbs 50% of the employees monthly premium costs for all full-time employees as defined in Section 7, Part B, Paragraph 1 of this by-law.

Part K  
Retirement

All full-time employees of the Town are required by state law (chapter 32) to become members of the Hampden County Retirement Group. On every pay day 8% of an employee's regular pay is automatically deducted by the town treasurer and paid to the Retirement Group. The money is paid into the retirement fund in lieu of social security. Interest is paid annually.

Retirement age will be as prescribed by Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Section 8  
DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Part A  
Reprimand

In situations where an oral warning has not resulted in expected improvements, or where more severe initial action is warranted, a written reprimand shall be sent to the employee and a copy shall be placed in the employee's personnel folder.

Part B  
Disciplinary Probation

Paragraph I

If oral and written reprimands fail to correct unsatisfactory job performance, an employee may serve a maximum three months disciplinary probation, at the direction of the supervisor, department head, or Board chairman. The employee will receive a written notice stating reasons for the disciplinary probation and the effective dates for such action.

Disciplinary probation will be imposed only where such action is not in conflict with requirements of existing labor agreements.

Paragraph II

When the employee's disciplinary probation expires the supervisor, department head, or Board chairman will examine :

Whether the employee's performance and behavior was satisfactory and that the supervisor, department head, or Board chairman will retain the employee in his position; or

The employee's performance and behavior remained unsatisfactory and that the supervisor, department head, or Board chairman recommends dismissal of the employee.



Part C  
Suspension

An employee may be suspended for a period of time not to exceed 45 days without pay by the Board. The employee shall be notified in writing:

of the reason for the suspension,  
of the length of the suspension period,  
at least 24 hours prior to the beginning of the suspension period.

Part D  
Dismissal or Demotion

A permanent employee may be dismissed or demoted if in the judgment of the Board, the employee's work or misconduct so warrants.

The employee shall be notified in writing of the reasons for the disciplinary action and of the appeals procedure.

Part E  
Causes for Disciplinary Action

Employees may be reprimanded, suspended, dismissed, or demoted for reasons such as, but not limited to, the following:

- (a) Dishonesty in the performance of duties;
  - (b) Drunkenness on the job;
  - (c) Recklessness on the job;
  - (d) Inefficiency;
  - (e) Habitual tardiness or absenteeism;
  - (f) Performing services unrelated to work, during working hours;
  - (g) Refusal to perform a normal quantity and quality of work;
  - (h) Failure to obey a reasonable order, either written or oral,
- provided that nothing in this subsection shall be construed to require an employee to commit an unlawful act;
- (i) Fraudulently obtaining sick or injury leave;
  - (j) Conduct materially impairing the efficiency with which the town government provides services to the citizens;
  - (k) Any violation of these rules and regulations;
  - (l) Sexual harassment of other employees or people;

Part F  
Appeals Procedure

Paragraph I  
First Step

Any employee who believes that she/he has received inequitable treatment because of some condition of his/her employment may appeal for relief from that condition. An employee must discuss the grievance initially with his/her direct supervisors.



## Paragraph II

### Second Step

If an employee feels that she/he has a grievance that has not been satisfactorily adjusted by her/his supervisor, she/he shall then present the case in writing to the Board. The Board shall make every effort to resolve the grievance in question. If a satisfactory settlement cannot be reached within 14 days of first negotiation of the grievance, then the Board shall give a written decision to the employee within the subsequent 7 days. Decisions of the Board shall be final except in cases of suspension, dismissal, and demotion.

## Paragraph III

### Third Step

The employee, if he/she feels her/his grievance is still unresolved, may appeal to the Personnel Board within 14 days after receiving the decision of the Board. The Personnel Board may require a written statement from the aggrieved employee in such form and containing such information as they may require. The Personnel Board shall hear and act upon the grievance within 21 days of its being presented to them. The decision of the Personnel Board shall be final. The employee has the right to have counsel present during the hearing with the Personnel Board. The town counsel shall be present at Personnel Board grievance hearings if the Personnel Board so desires.

## Section 9

### RECORDS AND REPORTS

Records for all employees will be kept by each supervisor, department head, or Board chairman, for attendance, vacation days accumulated and used, and sick days accumulated and used. Any employee ratings, evaluations, grievance procedure material, and letters of commendation will also be kept in employee files. These records will be kept by the department heads and shall be available for review by the Board. All employee records shall be made available for an appeal procedure hearing at the request of the Personnel Board.

All employees are entitled to see their own personnel file at any time.

On a yearly basis each employee will be informed of the number of vacation days he/she has used and has to her/his credit.

## Section 10

### DISMISSAL BECAUSE OF LACK OF FUNDING

The Board shall give notice of dismissal 10 working days in advance of termination for those whose salaries were not appropriated at the Town Meeting or whose salaries are predominately provided by an expiring federal or state program.

Section 11  
PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

Before appointment to a position, a candidate must provide an affidavit discussing any and all preexisting medical (physical and mental) conditions and may be required to pass a physical examination satisfactory to the Board. The examining physician shall be the regular physician of the candidate. If the candidate does not have a regular physician, the Board will choose one. The examination shall be at the expense of the candidate. The examining physician shall advise the Board as to whether or not, in his/her opinion, the candidate is physically qualified to perform the duties of the position for which application was made.

Section 12  
MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

Part A

The Town has and will continue to retain, whether exercised or not, all of the rights, powers, and authority heretofore had by it and, except where such rights, powers, and authority are specifically relinquished, abridged, or limited by the provisions of this agreement, it shall have the sole and unquestioned right, responsibility, and prerogative of management of the affairs of the Town and the direction of the working forces, including but not limited to the following.

To establish or continue policies, practices, and procedures for the conduct of Town business and, from time to time, to change or abolish such policies, practices, or procedures.

To discontinue processes or operations or to discontinue the performance by employees.

To prescribe and enforce reasonable rules and regulations for the maintenance of discipline and for performance of work in accordance with the requirements of the Town, provided such rules and regulations are made known in a reasonable manner to the employees affected by them.

Part B

The above rights, responsibilities, and prerogatives are inherent in the Board of Selectment and Town Meeting by virtue of the Constitution and General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and are not subject to review or determination in any grievance or arbitration proceeding, but manner of exercise of such rights may be subject to the grievance procedure described in these Rules and Regulations.

Section 13  
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY

Part A

The Town supports the objectives of equal opportunity in all phases of personnel actions without regards to race, color, creed, sex, national origin, age, and/or handicap and adheres to the requirements of federal and state legislation and executive orders to prevent discrimination.

Part B

The Board will monitor compliance with the letter and the spirit of this policy. The Board, if necessary, will determine the need for remedial action and submit its recommendations to the Town.

Section 14  
SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

The provisions of this by-law are hereby declared to be severable, and if any such provision or the application of any such provision to any person or circumstances shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional, such invalidity, illegality, or unconstitutionality shall not be construed to affect the validity, legality, or constitutionality of any of the remaining provisions or the application of said by-law to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid, illegal or unconstitutional.

Section 15  
AMENDMENT PROCEDURE

The Town Personnel Rules and Regulations may be amended by town by-law passed by majority vote at any special or annual town meeting.

SCHEDULE A

This should be a list of appointed positions with a salary or wage rate for each.





BOARD OF SELECTMEN

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
01010

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, ss.

TO THE TOWN CLERK OF BRIMFIELD, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield on MONDAY, the TWENTIETH day of MAY 1985 at TWELVE (12) o'clock noon to act on the following:

To give their votes to the election of officers on one ballot for the following Town Officers: One Moderator, three Selectmen, one Assessor, one Elementary School Committee member, one Board of Health member, one Cemetery Commission member, two Housing Authority members, two Library Trustees, one Tree Warden, one Trustee--Harriet Harding Fund, one Planning Board member, and one Trustee--Lincoln Library Fund.

The polls will open at TWELVE (12) o'clock noon and will close at EIGHT (8) o'clock in the evening. All business of said meeting except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot shall be considered after SEVEN (7) o'clock in the evening on MONDAY, the THIRTEENTH day of MAY 1985.

And you are hereby further required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield on MONDAY the THIRTEENTH day of MAY 1985 at SEVEN (7) o'clock in the evening to act on the following:

Article 1: To hear reports of the officers and agents heretofore chosen by the Town and take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 2: To see what salaries the Town will allow its officers for the ensuing year. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for various departments and activities of the Town, payment of debts, and defraying of expenses of the ensuing twelve months of July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986 and direct how the same shall be expended or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay unpaid bills or overdrawn accounts for fiscal 1985 or to take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)



Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay unpaid bills and offset overdrawn accounts for previous fiscal years or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town By-laws by deleting the following from Article II, Section 3: Three Selectmen for one year each; and inserting in its place the following:

Three Selectmen for three years each, one to be elected annually.  
(Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 7: To see if the Town will adopt the following special By-law for the purpose of implementing Article II Section 3 as amended under the previous warrant article:

At the annual election in 1986, the following officers shall be elected:  
Selectman for one year, Selectman for two years, and Selectman for three years.  
(Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,530.00 to allow the Selectmen's secretary to work a 30 hour week in the Town Hall or take any other action thereon. (Spon. by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to establish a permanent committee of correspondence to work with other organizations and groups throughout the State to promote and protect the rights of the Town of Brimfield and to further raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for expenses incidental to the operation of said Committee; said committee members being appointed by the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by the Brimfield Secession Committee)

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to become a member of the Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning District under the provisions of Chapter 40B of the General Laws and to see if the Town will set a maximum of fifteen cents (.15¢) per capita based on the most recent Federal decennial census as the Town's proportion of the annual costs and expenses of said Planning District, and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or otherwise provide the sum of \$348.00 as the Town's proportionate share thereof for the fiscal year 1985 or take any other action thereon. (Spon. by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$15,052.80 to provide ambulance service for fiscal 1986 for the Town of Brimfield or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by Brimfield Ambulance Service Inc.)

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Revenue Sharing or transfer from available funds the sum of \$25,000.00 to purchase a new gasoline cab and chassis or the sum of \$19,000.00 to purchase a used diesel cab and chassis for the Highway Department or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by the Highway Department)

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money from compensation insurance together with a sum of money to be raised by taxation to purchase compensation insurance for the Town employees for the financial year July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986 or take any other action thereon. (Spon. by Bd. of Selectmen)

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,000.00 for the Circuit Rider expense account for FY86 and \$3,503.43 for the Circuit Rider salary account for FY86, or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to be used in conjunction with and in addition to any funds allotted by the Commonwealth and/or county for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads, or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by the Highway Department)

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$213.44 for the purpose of matching Federal funds used to deliver home care services to the elderly or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by the Home Care Corporation of Springfield Inc.)

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for Civil Defense to be administered by the Selectmen for the fiscal period July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986 or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Civil Defense Director)

Article 18: To see what disposition the Town will make of any county dog related reimbursements for the fiscal period July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986 or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of Revenue in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1985 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4 and to issue a note or notes payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 57, or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by the Treasurer)

Article 20: To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements of allotments by the State and County for highways including bridges or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Treasurer)

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice in some convenient public place of the Town, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town upon tax title procedure provided that Selectmen, or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such a public auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Treasurer and the Tax Collector)

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from available funds in the treasury a sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Revenue Sharing or transfer from available funds the sum of \$4,000.00 to replace doors in the town barn or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by the Highway Department and the Board of Selectmen)



Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the parking ticket clerk revolving fund a sum of money for the purpose of lowering the tax rate or take any other action thereon. (Spon. by the Parking Magistrate and the Board of Selectmen)

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the flea market revolving account a sum of money for the purpose of lowering the tax rate or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,000.00 for Tri-Link Inc. of Southbridge, Massachusetts in support of counseling and related services to be provided to Brimfield children and families for the next year or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from Revenue Sharing a sum of money, \$3,105.00 for a 14 HP or \$2,963.00 for a 12HP, to be expended by the Selectmen for the purchase of a tractor with mower deck for use on the Town Common and other Town properties, or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Custodian at the Common)

Article 28: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the gas and the maintenance of the tractor if approved in the previous Article 27 or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Custodian at the Common)

Article 29: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for purchase of fertilizer to be applied to the Town Common in the Spring of 1986 or take any other action thereon. (Spon. by the Custodian at the Common)

Article 30: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for management consulting services to be provided by the Massachusetts Municipal Association to the Town for services and reports in connection with establishing an organization structure and completing a general management review with or without the assistance of the Data Management Division of the Department of Revenue or take any other action thereon. (Spon. by Bd. of Selectmen)

Article 31: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for the cost of initial design and architectural drawings of the proposed handicap ramp on the Town Hall, or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 32: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the construction of a handicap ramp on the Town Hall as outlined in the proposed plan or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 33: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,800.00 to engage Mr. Wesley Dingman to undertake numerical numbering of street addresses or take any other action thereon. (Spon. by Richard Raymond)

Article 34: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from Revenue Sharing the sum of \$1,500.00 to begin the erection of street name posts and signs or take any other action thereon. (Spon. by the Highway Dept.)

Article 35: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from Revenue Sharing the sum of \$8,500.00 to purchase and install a new diesel oil storage tank at the Town Barn or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by the Highway Department)

Article 36: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer the sum of \$4,850.00 from Revenue Sharing to purchase a length of fence between the Highway Department lot and the Brimfield Elementary School or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Highway Department)

Article 37: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Firefighters' Association of Brimfield to dispose of the 1927 Buffalo Fire Truck or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by Michael Wales, Fire Chief)

Article 38: To see if the Town will vote to create a committee to investigate the feasibility of constructing a reinforced concrete vault for the storage and protection of Brimfield's public town records, said committee to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by Baker Brown)

Article 39: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money not to exceed \$900.00 to provide a matching share for the Scenic Rivers Planning Grant Program or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Conservation Commission)

Article 40: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-law to increase the required frontage in residential, agricultural-residential, and business districts by adopting the following amendment:

In Section V-A, Column (a), change all figures to 200. In Section V-B, Column (a), change the figure in the business line to 200 or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by George Gross)

Article 41: To see if the Town will vote to adopt an official flag or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by George Gross)

Article 42: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds the sum of \$4,000.00 for road maintenance at Lake Sherman; funds to be used at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen upon the request of the Road Committee at Lake Sherman or for any other considerations or take any other action thereon. (Spon. by Lake Sherman Assn.)

Article 43: To see if the Town will vote to accept a Personnel Policy Plan as printed in the Town Report, or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 44: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Personnel Relations Review Board contingent to the adoption of a Town Personnel Policy as provided in M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 21B and empower such Board to adjust the grievances of all Town employees other than those appointed by the School Committee as stated in the M.G.L., said Board to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen to consist of no fewer than three members or greater than five members or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 45: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,750.00 for the purchase of a personal computer and software to be used by Town offices and departments or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by Pamela Beall)



Article 46: To see if the Town will appoint a Blue Ribbon Commission for a review and revision of the Town By-laws or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by Pamela Beall)

Article 47: To see if the Town will vote to amend the present Zoning By-law, Article XII, Section III Paragraph IIIB, Location of Districts, and the "Zoning Map of Brimfield, Massachusetts" dated June 11, 1968, which is made part thereof, to include as a business district that part of a tract of land owned by Gus K. and Donna R. Pappas, lying South of Route 20 and between the Brimfield-Monson Road and Dearth Hill Road (not already zoned business) being a portion of the premises described in a deed from Arthur E. Kenyon et ux to Gus K. Pappas et ux dated October 31, 1984 and recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book 5708, Page 387 for the purpose of establishing a mobile home community of 75 lots for residents 55 years of age or older or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by Gus and Donna Pappas)

Article 48: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following by-law:

#### MASS GATHERING BY-LAW

I. PURPOSE: To protect the public health and safety, to relieve traffic congestion, to prevent disease and illness, to prevent vehicular accidents and bodily injury, and to promote the general welfare of residents and visitors.

II. DEFINITION: A mass gathering is any outdoor public event which, in the opinion of the Board of Selectmen, is likely to be attended by a total of 300 or more people in its permitted duration and to continue for four hours or more.

#### III. REGULATIONS:

1) No person known to be a possible transmitter of a communicable disease shall be employed at a mass gathering in any capacity.

2) Children under 12 years of age not accompanied by an adult at a mass gathering shall be provided with adequate and competent adult supervision.

3) A licensed Emergency Medical Technician shall be on the premises of a mass gathering during daylight hours unless other arrangements satisfactory to the Board of Health have been made.

4) An officer satisfactory to the Chief of Police, paid by the mass gathering operator, shall be on duty to control traffic at all entrances and exits to mass gatherings, unless other arrangements satisfactory to the Chief of Police have been made. Officers directing traffic at mass gatherings shall give priority to through traffic.

5) 50% of the area on which a mass gathering is to be held shall be reserved for visitor parking.

6) Toilet and handwashing facilities shall be provided for the number of persons stated in the mass gathering permit application at a rate of no more 100 persons per toilet seat and no more than 750 persons per handwashing facility. 50% of the male toilets shall be urinals.

(Article 48 - continued)

- 7) Drinking fountains, with water quality satisfactory to the Board of Health, shall be provided at the rate of not less than one fountain per 1,000 persons. Rate of water supply shall be one pint per person, per hour, for the number of persons stated in the mass gathering permit application.
- 8) All buildings and tents on a mass gathering site shall each have at least one fire extinguisher of a type and condition satisfactory to the Fire Chief.
- 9) All wiring shall be satisfactory to the Electrical Inspector under current codes.
- 10) Sites of mass gatherings shall be buffered from public rights of way by a strip of land fifteen feet deep which contains no structures (other than fences), merchandise, vehicles, or persons (other than those entering or exiting).
- 11) The number of persons on the site shall not exceed the number in the permit application.

#### IV. ENFORCEMENT:

- 1) The Board of Health, Fire Chief, Police Chief, Building Inspector, Electrical Inspector, Board of Selectmen, and/or their agents, shall have access at all reasonable times to mass gatherings.
  - 2) No person shall hold a mass gathering unless a permit has been issued under this law. Applications shall be made at least 45 days prior to the event.
  - 3) Applications for permits shall contain: (a) the name, age, residence, mailing address and telephone number of the applicant; (b) a statement of the applicant's legal status, such as individual, partnership, corporation, etc.; (c) the location and legal description of the property where the event is proposed; (d) a plot plan of the property showing area, dimensions, the area reserved for visitor parking, the location and number of toilets, drinking fountains, handwashing facilities, water supply sources, and fire extinguishers; (e) the total number of persons to be allowed on the site, including staff, at any one time, which shall be determined by dividing the square footage of the premises (excluding buildings and parking areas) by fifty; (f) a list of the steps the applicant has taken to comply with the regulations of section III.
  - 4) The Board of Selectmen shall grant a permit when satisfied that provision for meeting the requirements of this by-law have been made. Permits may be automatically renewed by the Selectmen for additional gatherings within the calendar year without new applications, provided there have been no violations.
  - 5) Any violation of this by-law shall be cause for the police to deny access to the premises, acting either on their own authority or at the request of any of the officials listed in paragraph IV.1).
  - 6) Violations of this by-law may also be punished in court by a fine of \$100 per day per acre of premises.
- Or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by George Gross)

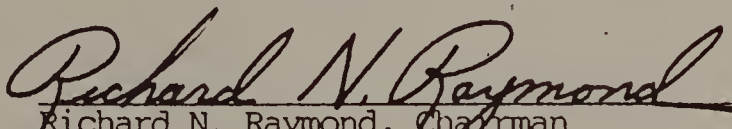
Article 49: To see if the Town will vote to sell a parcel of land belonging to the Town shown on Town Platt Map Index #3 and Platt Map #7 consisting of approximately 26 acres located near Steerage Rock to Hull Forest Products, Inc. for the sum of \$10,000.00 or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by Hull Forest Products, Inc.)

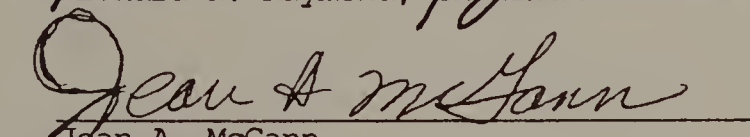
And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in at least five public places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the times and place of meeting and election aforesaid.

Given under our hand this 28th day MARCH, 1985.

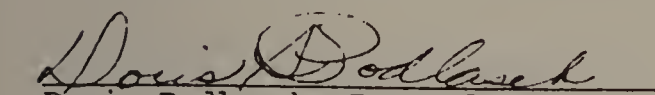
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

  
Richard N. Raymond, Chairman

  
Jean A. McGann

  
Robert H. St. Clair

A True Copy, ATTEST

  
Boris Podlasek, Town Clerk



## NOTES

SECTION B

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

MASSACHUSETTS

GENERAL BY-LAWS

AND

ZONING BY-LAWS

CURRENT AS OF APRIL 1, 1985

## FOREWORD

Your By-Law Committee has assembled the Town By-Laws, including changes through April 1, 1985. These By-Laws, together with the General Laws of the Commonwealth, are the foundation of your town government. The orderly conduct of town affairs requires that town officers and voters have the by-laws available for review. Because of the extended time between publications, the committee recommends that the Town Clerk and the Board of Selectmen maintain a corrected set including all revisions, additions, or deletions that are made at Town Meetings. The legality of all by-laws depends upon compliance with statutory provisions as set forth in Chapter 40, Section 32 of the General Laws regarding publication and notice to the Attorney General. The committee assumes that Town officers have complied with these provisions.

Respectfully,

George B. Adams  
Johnstone Prescott  
James M. French



## GENERAL BY-LAWS

### ARTICLE I

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS

##### I Section 1.

The following provisions shall constitute the General By-Laws of the Town of Brimfield, which shall be in lieu of all By-Laws heretofore in force.

##### I Section 2.

The repeal of a by-law shall not thereby have the effect of reviving any by-law theretofore repealed.

##### I Section 3.

Words and phrases specifying or naming any officer, board or committee of the Town, shall be construed as including the lawful successor or the person or persons having the powers and performing the duties of such officer, board or committee.

##### I Section 4.

When in a by-law anything is prohibited from being done without the license or permission of a certain officer, board or committee, such officer, board or committee shall have the right to license or permit such thing to be done.

##### I Section 5.

Any or all of these by-laws may be repealed or amended or other by-laws may be adopted at any town meeting, an article or articles for that purpose having been inserted in the warrant for such meeting by the Selectmen.

##### I Section 6.

Whoever violates any of the provisions of these by-laws whereby any act or thing is enjoined or prohibited, shall unless other provision is expressly made, forfeit and pay a fine not exceeding fifty dollars for each offence.

### ARTICLE II

#### TOWN MEETINGS

##### II Section 1.

The Annual Business and Appropriations Meeting shall be held on the second Monday in May of each year, and shall begin at 7:00 P.M. and the Annual Town Election shall be held on the third Monday of May in each year.

##### II Section 2.

The polls shall be opened at twelve o'clock noon and shall remain open until eight o'clock in the evening.

### II Section 3.

The Officers of the Town to be elected at the Annual Election in the years in which the terms of the incumbents expire, with their terms of office shall be as follows: A Moderator for one year; Three Selectmen for one year each; A Town Treasurer for three years; A Collector of Taxes for three years; A Town Clerk for three years; Three Assessors for three years each, one to be elected annually; Three members of the Board of Public Health for three years each, one to be elected annually; Three members of the Town School Committee for three years each, one to be elected annually; Five Constables for three years each; A Tree Warden for one year; Six Library Trustees for three years each, two to be elected annually; Three members of the Cemetery Commission for three years each, one to be elected annually; Three members of the Harding Fund Trustees, for three years each, one to be elected annually; Members of the Tantasqua Regional District School Committee for three years each, to be elected in accordance with the Regional District Agreement, annually and/or as incumbent terms expire; Four members of the Brimfield Housing Authority for five years each, one to be elected as terms expire in accordance with the laws of the commonwealth.

### II Section 4.

Notice of every Town Meeting shall be given by posting attested copies of the warrant therefor in at least five public places in the Town not less than seven days before the day fixed for such meeting. Notice of every Special Town Meeting shall be given by posting attested copies of the warrant therefor in at least five public places in the Town, not less than fourteen days before the day fixed for such meeting.

### II Section 5.

At least seven days before the day fixed in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, the Selectmen shall cause to be mailed to each occupied dwelling unit containing one or more registered voters in the Town, a copy of the warrant and ninety days after the end of the fiscal year a copy of the Town Report shall be made available to each registered voter of the Town.

### II Section 6.

At least five days before the day fixed in the warrant for any Special Town Meeting, the Selectmen shall cause an outline of the warrant to be mailed to each occupied dwelling house in the Town.

### II Section 7.

The number of voters necessary to constitute a quorum at the Annual Town Meeting shall be fifty voters and the number of voters necessary to constitute a quorum at any Special Town Meeting shall be twenty-five voters; provided, however, that a number less than a quorum may from time to time adjourn the same. This section shall not apply to such parts of meetings as are devoted exclusively to the election of Town officials.



II Section 8.

Articles of the warrant shall be acted upon in the order in which they appear unless otherwise determined by vote of the meeting.

II Section 9.

If a motion is susceptible of division, it shall be divided and the question shall be put separately upon each part thereof if ten voters so request.

II Section 10.

When a question is before the meeting, the following motions, namely: to adjourn; to lay on the table; for the previous question; to postpone to a time certain; to commit, recommit or refer; to amend; to postpone indefinitely; shall be received and shall have precedence in the foregoing order and the first three shall be decided without debate.

II Section 11.

On proposed amendments involving sums of money, the larger or largest amount shall be put to the question first and an affirmative vote thereon shall be a negative vote on any smaller amount.

II Section 12.

Any person who is employed as an attorney by another interested in any matter under discussion at a Town Meeting shall disclose the fact of his employment before speaking thereon.

II Section 13.

When a question is put, the sense of the meeting shall be determined by the voices of the voters and the Moderator shall declare the vote as it appears to him. If the Moderator is unable to decide the vote by the sound of voices, or if his decision is immediately questioned by seven or more voters rising in their places for that purpose, he shall determine the vote by ordering a show of hands and he may appoint tellers to make and return the count.

II Section 14.

The meeting may order that the vote on any motion shall be taken by a "yes" and "no" ballot.

II Section 15.

No vote of the meeting shall be reconsidered unless notice of intention to ask for reconsideration shall be given within one hour after the vote to which such notice relates has been taken. When a motion for reconsideration is decided, that decision shall not be reconsidered, and no question shall be reconsidered more than once; nor shall any vote be reconsidered on a motion to adjourn, to lay on the table, or for the previous question.



II Section 16.

All committees shall report as directed by the Town. If no report is made within a year after its appointment, a committee shall be discharged unless, in the meanwhile, the Town shall have granted an extension of time.

II Section 17.

No motion, the effect of which would be to dissolve the meeting, shall be in order until every article in the warrant therefore has been duly considered and acted upon, but this shall not preclude the postponement of consideration of any article to an adjournment of the meeting at a stated time and place.

II Section 18.

It shall be the duty of the Town Clerk immediately after every Town Meeting to notify in writing all members of the committees who may be elected or appointed at such meetings, and designate one member of the committee to be responsible for gathering all members of that committee for an initial meeting to be held within one month, and the Town Clerk shall state the business upon which they are to act and the names of the persons composing the committees, and also to notify all officers, boards and committees of all votes passed at such meeting in any way affecting them.

ARTICLE III

FINANCE COMMITTEE

III Section 1.

There shall be a Finance Committee consisting of nine legal voters of the Town who shall be appointed by the Selectmen as hereinafter provided. No elective or appointive town officer or town employee shall be eligible to serve on said committee.

III Section 2.

The Selectmen of the Town, when this by-law is adopted, shall within thirty days after such by-law becomes effective, appoint three members of said committee for terms of one year, three members for terms of two years, and three members for terms of three years. At each Annual Town Meeting thereafter the Selectmen shall appoint three members of said committee for terms of three years. The terms of office of said members shall commence immediately upon qualification and shall expire at the close of final adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting at which their successors are appointed. Said committee shall choose its own officers and shall serve without pay, and it shall cause to be kept a true record of its proceedings.

III Section 3.

The said committee shall fill any vacancy which may occur in its

membership by vote, an attested copy of which shall be sent by the secretary to the Town Clerk. If any member is absent from five consecutive meetings of said committee, except in case of illness, his position shall be deemed to be vacant and shall be filled as herein provided. The term of office of any person so chosen to fill a vacancy shall expire at the final adjournment of the next succeeding Annual Town Meeting, and the Selectmen shall appoint his successor to complete the unexpired term of the member in whose office such vacancy originally occurred.

#### III Section 4.

All articles in any warrant for a town meeting shall be referred to the Finance Committee for its consideration. The Selectmen, after drawing any such warrant, shall transmit immediately a copy thereof to each member of said committee. Said committee shall, after due consideration of the subject matter of such articles, report thereon to the Town Meeting, in writing, such recommendations as it deems best for the interests of the Town and its citizens.

#### III Section 5.

It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee annually to consider the expenditures in previous years and the estimated requirements for the ensuing year of the several boards, officers and committees of the Town, as prepared by them in such form and detail as may be prescribed by said committees. The said committees shall add to such statements of expenditures and estimates, another column giving the amounts which in its opinion should be appropriated for the ensuing year, and shall further add thereto such explanations and suggestions relating to the proposed appropriations as it may deem expedient, and report thereon as provided in section four.

#### III Section 6.

In the discharge of its duty, said committee shall have free access to all books of records and accounts, bills and vouchers on which money has been or may be paid from the Town Treasury. Officers, boards and committees of the Town shall, upon request, furnish said committees with facts, figures and any other information pertaining to their several activities.

#### III Section 7.

It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to make an annual report of its doings, with recommendations relative to financial matters and the conduct of town business, to be contained in the annual town report.

### ARTICLE IV

#### FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

#### IV Section 1.

An audit of the Accounts of the Town shall be made every three



years under the supervision of the state division of accounts as provided by section 35 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

IV Section 2.

Each officer, board or committee authorized to spend money shall, on or before June fifteenth of each year, transmit to the Town Accountant all unpaid bills outstanding as of that date.

IV Section 3.

Except as otherwise provided by law, the Selectmen shall have custody of bonds, deeds, contracts, insurance policies and other similar documents owned by the Town.

IV Section 4.

The Town Accountant shall prescribe the methods of accounting and the forms to be used by the several officers, boards and committees of the Town pertaining to their receipts and disbursements, and shall provide that such methods and forms shall conform to the requirements prescribed by law or any rules or regulations made thereunder.

IV Section 5.

Every officer shall pay into the Treasury of the Town all amounts received by him on behalf of the Town, except as otherwise provided by law, and shall make a true return thereof to the Town Accountant, stating the accounts upon which such amounts were received.

IV Section 6.

In the event that the holder of any license issued by the Town of Brimfield shall be delinquent in the payment of real estate taxes applicable to real estate of which such license holder is the owner or part owner, and applicable to real estate on which such license holder is exercising the license, the board of Selectmen shall refuse to renew any such license or licenses held by such license holder.

## ARTICLE V

### CONTRACTS BY TOWN OFFICERS

V Section 1.

No Town Officer and no salaried employee of the Town or any agent of any such officer or employee, shall receive any compensation for his services to the Town except his official salary plus any fees specifically allowed him by law. Expense money is not to be allotted to the payment of compensation for services.

V Section 2.

No board or officer shall make any contract in behalf of the Town, the execution of which shall necessarily extend beyond one



year from the date thereof, except as otherwise provided by law, unless specific authority to do so has been given by vote of the Town.

## ARTICLE VI

### LEGAL AFFAIRS

#### VI Section 1.

The Selectmen shall be agents of the Town to institute, prosecute, defend and settle any and all claims, actions and proceedings to which the Town is a party or in which the interests of the Town are or may be involved.

#### VI Section 2.

The Selectmen in their annual report shall state what actions have been brought against and on behalf of the Town, what cases have been compromised or settled, and the current standing of all suits at law involving the Town or any of its interests.

#### VI Section 3.

The Selectmen shall annually in June after election of the Selectmen, appoint a member of the bar in good standing to serve as Town Counsel for the term of one year from the first day of July following and until his successor is appointed and enters upon the performance of his duties. They shall likewise fill any vacancy in said office for the unexpired term, and may employ Special Counsel to assist the said Town Counsel whenever, in their judgment, necessity therefor arises.

#### VI Section 4.

It shall be the duty of the Town Counsel to conduct the prosecution, defense or compromise of claims, actions and proceedings to which the Town is a party, and the prosecution of actions or proceedings by or on behalf of any town officer, board or committee as such; to conduct the defense of any action or proceedings, brought against any town officer, board or committee as such, when the Selectmen, having determined that any right or interests of the Town are or may be involved therein, shall so request; to conduct proceedings brought by or against the Assessors before the Board of Tax Appeals; to assist in the prosecution of complaints for violation of any by-law of the Town, when requested so to do by the board or officer enforcing the same; to examine and report upon titles to all land to be acquired by the Town; to prepare or approve contracts, bonds, deeds and other legal instruments in which the Town is a party or in which any right or interests of the Town is involved; to appear at any and all hearings on behalf of the Town whenever his services may be required; and generally to advise and act for the town officers, boards and committees upon and in legal matters touching the duties of their respective offices.

## ARTICLE VII

### RECORDS AND REPORTS

#### VII Section 1.

All officers, board and committees of the Town, shall cause records of their doings and accounts to be kept in suitable books. Said books shall be kept in their respective places in the town offices, or in their respective offices at home. Said books shall, unless otherwise provide by law, be open to public inspection at any reasonable time, but shall remain during such inspection under supervision of the officer, board or committee having custody thereof.

#### VII Section 2.

All officers, boards, standing committees and special committees of the Town having charge of the expenditure of town money shall annually report thereon in writing in such manner as to give the citizens a fair and full understanding of the objects and methods of such expenditures, referring, however, to the report of the Town Accountant for statements in detail of receipts and payments, and may make therein such recommendations as they deem proper. Such reports shall be submitted to the Selectmen for inclusion in the Annual Town Report on or before the fifteenth day of July each year. All such reports from officers, boards, departments and committees shall include a list of all their employees, both salaried and hourly, with the total amount of annual compensation along side each name if the amount for any particular employee is more, that fact shall be included in the report.

#### Vii Section 3.

The annual report shall contain, in addition to the reports of officers, boards, and committees as hereinbefore provided, a detailed report of all moneys received into and paid out of the Town Treasury in the financial year next preceding showing separately payments made from the proceeds of loans as capital outlays for permanent improvements; the report of the Collector of Taxes, of receipts, payments and abatements; statements of funds belonging to the Town or held for the benefit of its inhabitants; a statement of the liabilities of the Town on bonds, notes, certificates of indebtedness, or otherwise, and of indebtedness authorized but not incurred, and of the purposes thereof; a statement of transfers made to or from any appropriation; abstracts of the records of the meetings of the Town held since publication of the last Annual Report; and such other matters as the said report is required by law to contain, or as may be inserted by the Selectmen under discretion granted them by law.

#### VII Section 4.

The Selectmen, or the Town, may direct that the standing votes of the Town and the rules or regulations adopted by any officer, board or committee, be printed either separately or as part of the Annual Town Report.



VII Section 5.

The Selectmen shall insert an article in the Town Warrant every third year commencing with the Annual Town Meeting of 1981 to see if the Town will vote to provide the necessary funds and services to accomplish the publication of the currently used Assessors' valuation list.

VII Section 6.

The Selectmen and Town Clerk shall cause to be published the current Town By-Laws including the Zoning By-Laws as part of the Annual Town Report every third year commencing with the Annual Town Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1980.

ARTICLE VIII

JUNK YARD LICENSES

VIII Section 1.

The Selectmen may in their discretion grant licenses to suitable persons to be collectors of, dealers in or keepers of establishments for the purchase, sale or barter of junk, old metals or second hand articles and may make rules and regulations relative to their business, and may provide for the supervision thereof, and may make additional rules, regulations and restrictions which shall be expressed in all licenses, all in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 140, Sections 54 and 55 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

VIII Section 2. Junk Yard, Flea Market and Other Regulations

a. Definition:

For the purpose of this By-Law a flea market is defined as a place where merchants buy, sell or barter merchandise on property, for a consideration paid to the owner or operator and under the control of the owner or operator.

b. License for Owner and/or Operator:

The Selectmen may, at their discretion, grant a license to an owner and/or operator who has complied with this By-Law at a fee of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars. License will expire at the end of the calendar year.

c. Fees for Merchants:

Owners and/or operators will apply for Merchant's Permits from the Board of Selectmen prior to conducting a Flea Market. Said permits will be required to be displayed by each merchant doing business within said Flea Market. Merchant's Permits shall be issued for a fee to be set by the Board of Selectmen not to exceed \$20.00. Each owner and/or operator shall submit a list of merchants to the Board of Selectmen to be licensed. Any unused Merchants' Permits may be returned to the Board of Selectmen for a refund of the permit fee. The Merchants' Permit will expire weekly at 11:00 P.M. of each Saturday.



d. Regulations:

The Board of Selectmen may make additional rules, regulations and restrictions which shall be expressed in all licenses.

e. Police:

Traffic control incidental to operation of flea markets and traffic control at entrances and exits to flea markets will be at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen - cost to be borne by the Flea Market Operator and/or owner.

f. Town Common:

The Town Common during Flea Market will not be used for parking, business enterprises, camping, eating or drinking of alcoholic beverages. This section enforceable under the Town's Police powers.

g. Parking:

Parking is prohibited on Town Streets from 11:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M. enforceable under the Town's Police powers.

h. Public Health:

The Board of Health will be empowered to immediately close any flea market operation found to be violating the Sanitary Code of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and thereby constituting a hazard to public health.

i. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article XII, Section VII of the Zoning By-laws, flea market merchants who are duly permitted by the Town of Brimfield to do business shall be allowed to remain overnight/s on the grounds of the flea market at which they are permitted for the purpose of protecting their wares, for a period not to exceed seven consecutive days at flea market and no more than three flea markets in any calendar year. Any flea market operator who allows his merchants to remain overnight on the premises must maintain adequate sanitary facilities and dumping stations under the jurisdiction of the Board of Health.

j. Hours of Operation of Flea Markets:

Hours of operation to be set by Board of Selectmen.

k. Penalties:

For violation of this by-law by the flea market operators and/or owners and by all others a fine of not to exceed two hundred (\$200.00) dollars shall be imposed.

## ARTICLE IX

### PLANNING BOARD BY-LAW

#### IX Section 1.

A Planning Board is hereby established under the provisions of

General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 81A with all the power and duties therein.

IX Section 2.

The Planning Board shall consist of five members to be elected by ballot at the Annual Town Meeting of 1958, one for a term of five years, one for a term of four years, one for a term of three years, one for a term of two years, and one for a term of one year, and thereafter by ballot and in accordance with provisions of the statute.

IX Section 3.

There is hereby established a Board of Appeals of three (3) members and two (2) associate members to be appointed by the Selectmen, as provided in the General Laws, which shall act on all matters within its jurisdiction under this By-law in the manner prescribed in the General Laws.

ARTICLE X

UNREGISTERED MOTOR VEHICLE BY-LAW

X Section 1.

No more than one unregistered motor vehicle, assembled or disassembled, shall be kept, stored or allowed to remain on a parcel of land except by a person duly licensed under General Laws, Chapter 140, Section 59 and except as provided in Section 2 of this By-Law.

X Section 2.

The Board of Selectmen may issue a permit to keep, store or allow two or more of such vehicles to remain on a parcel of land after said Board has held a public hearing thereon, first causing notice of the time, place and subject matter of such hearing to be given, at the expense of the applicant, by publication in a newspaper of general circulation, at least ten days in advance of the date of the hearing. Said Board shall not issue such a permit unless it finds that the presence of such vehicles on such parcel (1) will not nullify or substantially derogate from the intent or purpose of this by-law, (2) will not constitute a nuisance and (3) will not adversely affect the neighborhood in which such parcel is situated.

X Section 3.

Each such permit shall (1) specify the maximum number of such vehicles that may be kept, stored or allowed to remain on such parcel, (2) be limited to a reasonable period of time and (3) be a personal privilege of the applicant and not a grant attached to and running with the land.



X Section 4.

This by-law shall not apply to vehicles which are (1) stored within an enclosed building, or (2) designed and used as vehicles for farming, agriculture or construction purposes. Any junk cars not visible from the road shall be exempt from the terms of this by-law.

X Section 5.

Any person who continues to violate the provisions of this by-law after 30 days following receipt by him of written notice of such violation from the Board of Selectmen shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty dollars for each offense. Each day that any violation is allowed to continue after said thirty day period shall constitute a separate offense.

ARTICLE XI

BUILDING CODE

XI Section 1.

The Selectmen shall provide for the appointment of a Building Code Board of Appeals and maintain its membership in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts State Building Code.

ARTICLE XII

ZONING BY-LAW

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

ADOPTED by the Town, June 19, 1968

APPROVED by the Attorney General, September 12, 1968

REVISED, June 30, 1980

XII Section 1. PURPOSE

To Promote the health, safety, convenience, morals and general welfare of its inhabitants, to lessen the danger from fire and congestion, and to improve the town under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40A, the use, construction, repair, alteration and height of buildings and structures and the use of premises in the Town of Brimfield are hereby restricted and regulated as hereinafter provided.

XII Section II. DEFINITIONS

All terms and words not otherwise defined in this By-law shall



have the meaning defined in the 1972 Planners Handbook published by the Massachusetts Federation of Planning Boards. Words not defined in this By-Law or in the Handbook shall have the meaning given in Webster's Dictionary (latest edition).

II-A. Dwelling

A building or dwelling unit, or any part thereof, containing accommodations for permanent occupancy, including single-family semi-detached, and two-family houses, boarding or lodging homes, but not including transient accommodations such as in motels or hotels.

II-B. Trailer

Any vehicle which is or can be used as a dwelling and which is, has been, or can be mounted on wheels.

II-C. Trailer Camp

A parcel of land on which there is located or intended to be located two or more trailer homes occupied for living purposes.

II-D. Family Camping Ground

A parcel of land on which there is temporarily located, or intended to be temporarily located, two or more camping devices.

XII SECTION III. ESTABLISHMENT OF DISTRICTS

III-A. Type of Districts

For purpose of the By-Law, the Town of Brimfield is hereby divided into the following types of use districts:

Residential

Agricultural-Residential

Business

Industrial

Flood Plain (See Section VI-C)

Multiple Dwelling District for the elderly

III-B. Location of Districts

Said districts are located and bounded as shown on a map intitled "Zoning Map of Brimfield, Massachusetts". The Zoning Map, with all explanatory matter thereon, is hereby made a part of this By-Law, accepted by the Town Meeting of May 8, 1978, under Article 23 and filed with the Town Clerk on the same date.

XII Section IV. USE REGULATIONS

Except as provided in Section VI-A-1 hereof, no building or structure shall be constructed, and no structure or land, or part thereof shall be used for any purpose or in any manner other than for one or more of the uses hereinafter set forth as permitted in the district in which such building, structure or land is located, or set forth as permissible by special permit in said district and so authorized.

#### IV-A. Residential Districts

##### 1. Permitted Uses

- a. Detached one-family dwelling
- b. Religious, education or municipal use.
- c. Hospital, sanitarium, convalescent home.
- d. Renting of rooms or furnishing of board for not more than four (4) persons in a dwelling regularly occupied for residential purposes.
- e. Accessory uses customarily incidental to the above permitted main uses, including but not limited to the following:
  - (1) Use of a room or rooms in a dwelling for a customary home occupation conducted solely by a resident with no more than one employee, such as dressmaking, candy making or the practice of a recognized profession.
  - (2) Use of premises or building thereon in connection with his trade by a resident artisan who works primarily away from the premises, such as a carpenter, electrician, painter or plumber, provided that no manufacturing or business requiring heavy machinery or substantially continuous employment be carried on and that no evidence of the use be visible or audible to the public or abutters.
  - (3) Display of a sign pertaining to a use permitted on the premises with a total area of not more than six (6) square feet.

##### 2. Uses which may be permitted by the Board of Appeals in accordance with the regulations appearing in Section VIII-B-2 of this By-Law.

- a. Private club not conducted for profit.
- b. Conversion of a one-family dwelling existing at the time of adoption of this By-Law into a two-family dwelling.

#### IV-B. Agricultural-Residential Districts

##### 1. Permitted Uses

- a. All uses permitted in a Residential district.
- b. Farm or Nursery, including the display and sales of natural products raised in the town and the raising of stock except as limited by Section 2 below.
- c. Accessory uses.
- d. The raising of hogs, pigs, or fur-bearing animals, provided such activity is carried on at least 500 feet from any property line.
- e. Parking of cars relative to flea markets for a period of not more than three (3) days each, three (3) times per year.
- f. The outdoor rental of space to merchants for the purpose of buying, selling, or bartering merchandise on the premises, to the same extent permitted in the



business district, in that area of the Agricultural-Residential District bounded as follows: Southerly by Route 20; Easterly by the Warren Road; Westerly by Crystal Brook; and Northerly by a line parallel to Route 20 at a depth not to exceed 500 feet which extends Easterly from the Northerly limit of the business district at Crystal Brook to the Warren Road.

2. Uses which may be permitted by the Board of Appeals in accordance with the regulations appearing in Section VIII-B-2 of this By-Law.
  - a. Golf course, boat livery, riding stable and ski tow.
  - b. Private club not conducted for profit.
  - c. Soil, gravel, loam and sand removal.
  - d. Conversion of a one-family dwelling existing at the time of adoption of this By-Law into a two-family dwelling.
  - e. Family Camping Ground.

#### IV-C. Business District

1. Permitted Uses
  - a. Any use permitted in a Residential District.
  - b. Office, bank, newspaper or job-printing establishment.
  - c. Hotel, motel or restaurant.
  - d. Any wholesale or retail business, research laboratory, service or public utility not involving manufacture on the premises except of products the major portion of which is sold on the premises by the producer to the consumer.
  - e. Conversion of a one-family dwelling existing at the time of the adoption of the By-Law into a two-family dwelling.
2. Uses which may be permitted by the Board of Appeals in accordance with the regulations appearing in Section VIII-B-2 of the By-Law.
  - a. Place of amusement or assembly or club conducted for profit.
  - b. Automobile service station, repair shop, storage garage or salesroom.
  - c. Trailer camp.

#### IV-D. Industrial District

1. Permitted Uses
  - a. Any business use permitted in a Business District
  - b. Any manufacturing or industrial use including processing, fabrication and assembly, provided that no such use shall be permitted which would be detrimental or offensive or tend to reduce property values in the same or adjoining districts by reason of dirt, odor, fumes, smoke, gas, sewage, refuse, noise, excessive vibration or danger of explosion or fire.



c. Religious, education or municipal use.

2. Uses which may be permitted by the Board of Appeals in accordance with the regulations appearing in Section VIII-B-2 of this By-Law.

a. Automobile dismantling or used parts yard.

b. Junk yard.

IV-E. c. Multiple Dwelling District for Elderly

1. Permitted Uses

a. Housing for Elderly

## XII SECTION V. INTENSITY REGULATIONS

V-A. A dwelling hereafter erected in any district shall be located on a lot having not less than the minimum requirements set forth in the table below, and no more than one dwelling shall be built upon any such lot. No existing lot shall be changed as to size or shape so as to result in the violation of the requirements set forth below.

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>Minimum Lot Dimension</u>		<u>Minimum Yard Dimension</u>		
	<u>Area in sq.ft.(a)</u>	<u>Frontage in.ft.(a)</u>	<u>Front in.ft.(b)</u>	<u>Side in. ft.</u>	<u>Rear in ft.</u>
Residence	43,560	125	25	15	40
Agricultural					
Residence	43,560	125	35	15	40
Business	43,560	150	25	15	40
Industrial	(New residential construction not permitted)				

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>Max. Height of Building (c)</u>		<u>Max. % Coverage Including Accessory Building</u>	<u>Floor Area sq. ft.</u>
	<u>No. of Stories</u>	<u>Ft.</u>		
Residence	(2½)	(35)	(30)	(720)
Agricultural				
Residence	(2½)	(35)	(20)	(720)
Business	(2½)	(35)	(40)	(720)
Industrial	(New residential construction not permitted)			

V-B. A building or structure hereafter erected in a Business or Industrial District shall be located on a lot having not less than the minimum requirements set forth in the table below. No existing lot shall be changed as to size or shape so as to result in the violation of the requirements set forth below.

DISTRICT	<u>Minimum Lot Dimension</u>		<u>Minimum Yard Dimension</u>		
	<u>Area in sq.ft.(a)</u>	<u>Frontage in ft. (a)</u>	<u>Front in ft.(b)</u>	<u>Side in ft.(d)</u>	<u>Rear in ft.(e)</u>
Business	43,560	150	25	15	40
Industrial	62,500	250	25	40	40
	<u>Max. Height of Building (c)</u>		<u>Max % Coverage Including Accessory Building</u>		
	<u>No. of Stories</u>	<u>Ft.</u>			
Business	(3)	(40)	(60)		
Industrial	(4)	(50)	(60)		

#### FOOTNOTES TO THE ABOVE TABLE

- (a) Existing nonconforming lots may be built upon and pre-existing nonconforming structures or uses may be extended or altered only in accordance with the applicable provision of Chapter 40A, Section 6 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth, or Section V-C of this By-Law.
- (b) To be measured from the right-of-way line where a plan of the way is on file with the Registry of Deeds or, in the absence of such a plan, from a line 25 feet from and parallel with the center line of the travelled way.
- (c) The limitation on height of buildings shall not apply in any district to chimneys, ventilators, towers, spires or other ornamental features of buildings which are in no way used for living purposes.
- (d) Side yard dimension will be 50 feet when adjacent to Residential District.
- (e) Rear yard dimension will be 50 feet when adjacent to Residential District.

V-C. Buildings in existence at the time of the adoption of this amendment without the minimum front, side, or rear yards required by V-A and V-B may be added to provided such additions do not reduce the size of the nonconforming yard or yards.

## XII SECTION VI. GENERAL REGULATIONS

### VI-A. Nonconforming Uses

1. The lawful use of any structure or land existing at the time of the enactment or subsequent amendment of this By-Law may be continued although such structure or use does not conform with provisions of the By-Law.
2. Extension. No increase in the extent of the nonconforming use of the structure or land may be made except as provided by Chapter 40A Section 6 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth or Section V-C of this By-Law.
3. Abandonment. A nonconforming use which has been abandoned for two (2) years or more shall not be re-established and any future use shall conform with this By-Law.
4. Changes. Once changed to a conforming use, no structure or land shall be permitted to revert to a nonconforming use.
5. Construction or use under a building permit or special permit shall conform to any subsequent amendment of the Town Zoning By-Law unless the use or construction is commenced within a period of six (6) months after issuance of the permit and in cases involving construction, unless such construction is continued through to completion as continuously and expeditiously as is reasonable. The applicable provisions of Chapter 40A, Section 6 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts shall apply.

### VI-B. Accessory Buildings

1. No accessory buildings or structures shall be located within the required front yard area. No accessory building shall be located in any side yard area nearer to the side lot line than 15 feet, or in a rear yard nearer to the rear line than 15 feet, or nearer to another principle or accessory building than 15 feet.

### VI-C. Flood Plain Restrictions

1. In a Flood Plain District, uses otherwise permitted as set forth in Sections IV-A through IV-D above may be authorized after a finding by the Board of Appeals, after a hearing with due notice given, that said use will not endanger the health or safety of the occupants thereof.

### VI-D. Parking Requirements

1. Any building hereafter construction for business or industrial use shall be so located upon its parcel of land that there may be provided an off-street



parking area equal to twice the floor area of the building to be constructed.

#### VI-E. Sign Regulations

1. Definition. For the purpose of this By-Law a sign is defined as any outdoor surface with letters, words, numbers or other symbols, any of which exceed one inch in height, or any three-dimensional representation, intended to convey a message.
2. Regulation. All signs are prohibited except the following:
  - a. All signs existing on the date of adoption of this By-Law, provided they are photographed by the owner and registered with the enforcing authority within thirty (30) days of adoption date.
  - b. Signs on mail boxes and newspaper tubes not larger than said mailboxes or newspaper tubes.
  - c. Signs erected by the Town, Commonwealth, or their agencies.
  - d. Signs required by Law.
  - e. Provided they are otherwise permitted by the Town's By-Laws, one non-flashing, non-neon, non-moving, non-three-dimensional sign on a building; and one other such sign per building, free standing, one or two-surfaced, not over 20 feet above ground level and not closer than thirty-five (35) feet to the center line of a travelled way; neither sign to exceed fifty (50) square feet or be artificially illuminated from within or the rear.
3. Enforcement. It shall be the responsibility of the Selectmen or their legally appointed delegate to take the initiative to enforce this By-Law with or without a citizen's complaint. No sign shall hereinafter be displayed without a permit issued by the enforcing authority.

#### XII SECTION VII. TRAILERS

VII-A. Not more than one (1) house trailer, mobile home or trailer which contains sleeping and eating accommodations may be kept on any parcel of land. No house trailer, mobile home or trailer which contains sleeping and eating accommodations may be used as living quarters while so located. Space shall not be leased for trailers, provided, however, that the foregoing shall not prohibit the establishment of a trailer camp under the provisions of Chapter 140 of the General Laws, or a family camping ground under Article VIII of the State Sanitary Code.

VII-B. The owner or occupier of a residence which has been destroyed by fire or other natural disaster may place a mobile home on the site of such residence and reside in said mobile home for a period not to exceed twelve (12) months while the residence is being

rebuilt. Any such mobile home shall be subject to the provisions of the state sanitary code.

## XII SECTION VIII. ADMINISTRATION

VIII-A. Enforcement. The Board of Selectmen shall appoint a Zoning Officer for a term of one (1) year who is charged with enforcing this By-Law. No building shall be built or altered and no use of land or building shall be begun or changed without a permit. No building shall be occupied until a certificate of occupancy has been issued. Any person violating any of the provisions of this By-Law may be fined not more than two hundred (\$200.00) dollars for each offense.

VIII-B. Board of Appeals. There is hereby established a Board of Appeals of three (3) members and two (2) associate members to be appointed by the Selectmen, as provided in Chapter 40A of the General Laws, which shall act on all matters within its jurisdiction under this By-Law and Chapter 40A of the General Laws. The Board of Appeals shall have the following powers:

1. Appeals. To hear and decide an appeal taken by any person aggrieved by reason of his inability to obtain a permit from any administrative official under the provisions of Chapter 40A, General Laws, or by any officer or Board of the town, or by any person aggrieved by any order or decision of the zoning officers or other administrative official in violation of any provision of Chapter 40A, General Laws, or of this By-Law.

2. Special Permits. To grant a special permit for an exception as provided by sections of this By-Law when it shall have found after a detailed study, duly advertised public hearing, held within sixty-five (65) days after filing of an application with the Board of Appeals, a copy of which shall forthwith be given to the Town Clerk by the applicant, and the concurring vote of all members of the Board of Appeals, that the use involved will not be detrimental to the established or future character of the neighborhood and town and subject to appropriate conditions or safeguards if deemed necessary. Special permits shall lapse if construction or use has not begun within two (2) years of issuance, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A, Section 9 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth.

3. Variances. To authorize upon appeal, or upon petition in cases where a particular use is sought for which no permit is required, with respect to a particular parcel of land or to an existing building thereon a variance from the terms of this By-Law



where, owing to conditions especially affecting such parcel or such building but not affecting generally the zoning district in which it is located, a literal enforcement of the provisions of this By-Law would involve substantial hardship, financial or otherwise to the appellant, and where desirable relief may be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without substantially derogating from the intent or purpose of this By-Law, but not otherwise. Nothing in this By-Law shall be construed as granting the Board of Appeals the power to authorize a use or activity not otherwise permitted in the district in which the land or structure is located.

VIII-C. Amendment. This By-Law may be amended from time to time at an Annual or Special Town Meeting in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of Chapter 40A.

VIII-D. Validity. The invalidity of any section or provision of this By-Law shall not invalidate any other section or provision thereof.

VIII-E. Applications for permits. All applications for permits shall be in writing, accompanied by a plot plan, and a building plan, if construction is contemplated. The zoning enforcing authority may require any information on the application he needs in order to enable him to determine the legality or illegality of the proposed use. All applications shall be acted upon by the zoning enforcing authority within thirty (30) days in writing, stating the reason or reasons for rejection or approval. No written application shall be necessary for an occupancy permit, but no occupancy permit shall be issued for any building which departs from the plans to the extent that a zoning violation is created. Buildings begun but not completed within two (2) years of the date of the permit shall be deemed a violation of this By-law.

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Enforcement. Chapter 40A, Section 12 of the General Laws provides that this By-Law shall be enforced by the Selectmen or their appointee.

According to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 32, the effective date of this By-Law is date of delivery of the Bulletin or pamphlet to each occupied dwelling in the town.

According to Chapter 40A, Section 11 of the General Laws, the enforcement date of this By-Law is June 11, 1968, the date of the public hearing before the Planning Board.



## ARTICLE XIII

### RIVER AND STREAM PROTECTION BY-LAW

#### XIII, River and Stream Protection By-law

##### a. DISCHARGE REGULATION

Except as hereinafter allowed no wastewater shall be discharged directly into any river or stream or indirectly through a pond, lake, or storage or disposal works.

##### b. DRAWING OR DIVERSION REGULATION

Except as hereinafter allowed water shall not be drawn or diverted from any river or stream.

##### c. EXCEPTIONS

1. Drawing in amounts not exceeding 250 gallons per day.
2. Drawing for fire department use.
3. Drawing, diversion or indirect discharge for agricultural use that would not be detrimental to a river or stream and associated wetlands.
4. Diversion for low head hydro-electric generation, that would not be detrimental to a river or stream and associated wetlands.

##### d. DEFINITION

Wastewater is defined as water that has been used in manufacturing, processing, cooling, servicing, washing or cleaning, or in any septic or sewerage works.

##### e. FINE

The fine for violation of this by-law by individuals is not less than \$20 nor more than \$100 per day; by corporations not less than \$300 per day. Each day constitutes a separate violation.

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INFORMATION FOR BRIMFIELD RESIDENTS

Business Hours of Town Offices  
and Committees

TOWN CLERK	Mondays 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Town Hall Hours by Appointment at the Town Clerk's home
TOWN TREASURER	Monday evening at the Town Hall 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.
TOWN ACCOUNTANT	Monday evening at the Town Hall
COLLECTOR OF TAXES	Monday evening 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Town Hall
BOARD OF ASSESSORS	<del>First and third</del> Monday Evening 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Town Hall Mon. Wed & Fri - 9:00am - 4:00pm
POLICE DEPARTMENT	Monday evening 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Town Hall
BOARD OF SELECTMEN	Monday evening 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	First Tuesday of the month at the Town Hall
PLANNING BOARD	First Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall
BUILDING INSPECTOR	Monday evening 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall
LIBRARY TRUSTEES	First Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Library
BOARD OF HEALTH	First <del>Thursday</del> of the month at 8:00 p.m. at the Town Hall
COUNCIL ON AGING	First Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Hitchcock Academy except July & August
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE	Fourth Tuesday of the month at the Brimfield Elementary School
TANTASQUA REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE	Third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Library of Tantasqua Junior High School



ANNUAL REPORT  
To The  
TOWN OF BRIMFIELD



Showing Receipts & Expenditures

for the

Fiscal Period Ending June 30, 1925

WILLIAM E. SULLIVAN, Treasurer



# TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

## Departments

Ambulance	245-7272
Ambulance (non-emergency)	245-7334
Circuit Rider (Charles Seelig)	245-7253; 245-7108 and 245-6879
Civil Defense Director	245-7641
Fire Department	245-7222
Fire Department (non-emergency)	245-7334
Police Department	245-7272
Police Department (non-emergency)	245-3443
State Police (Sturbridge)	347-3352

## Town Government

Assessors	245-9635
Building Inspector	245-7944
Conservation Commission	245-7167
Health Board	245-7211
Housing Authority	245-5051
Highway Department	245-7227
Library	245-5010
Picensing Board	245-7307
Refuse	245-7243
Tax Collector	245-7307
Town Clerk	245-7307
Town Engineer	245-7307

## Business

Admission Commission	245-7307
Board of Health	245-7211
Board of Selectmen	245-7307
Board of Supervisors	245-7307

For a complete list of telephone numbers in this town, see the back of this directory.

**annual report  
town of  
Brimfield, Massachusetts  
1984-1985**

**FORWARD**

**The residents of Brimfield are encouraged to read, study, and question this Annual Report for 1984-1985 reflecting the activities, growth, and progress of the Town. They are invited to call upon town officers and departments for any further information desired, or simply to comment on reports. It is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED that this report be brought to the ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.**

## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

### Licenses issued for the Division of Fisheries and Game

- 33 Resident Fishing
- 29 Resident Hunting
- 10 Resident Sporting
  - 1 Resident Minor Fishing
  - 2 Non-Resident Citizen Fishing
  - 2 Non-Resident Citizen Hunting
- 11 Free Resident Sporting
  - 2 Resident Sporting (age 65-69)
- 16 Archery Stamps
  - 1 Resident Trapping
- 3 Duplicates

### DOGS LICENSED

- 15 Males @ \$ 4.00
- 8 Males @ \$ 10.00
- 30 Females @ \$ 4.00
- 9 Females @ \$10.00
- 1 Kennel License @ \$50.00
- 7 Kennel Licenses @ \$10.00

### BRIEF ABSTRACT OF DOG LAWS:

The owner or keeper of any dog three months old or over must have said dog licensed. Licenses are due and payable on or before March 31st of each year. Whoever violates the provisions of the dog laws shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$15.00. Every dog, six months or older, must be inoculated with rabies vaccine every three years.



## TOWN OFFICERS - 1985

### TOWN CLERK

Doris S. Podlasek	1988
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### MODERATOR

Robert C. Cheney	1986
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### TREASURER

Joan Erban	1988
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### TAX COLLECTOR

Susan Sutherland	1988
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### SELECTMEN

Brian Haley, Chairman	1986
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Jean A. McGann	1986
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Michael Sullivan	1986
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Carol Goodspeed, Secretary	.
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### ASSESSORS

Richard Starkey	1988
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Anne Dutka	1987
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James E. Killian	1986
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### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Harry A. Peters, Jr., Chairman	1987
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James Powers	1988
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Frances Tetreault	1986
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### TANTASQUA REG. DIST. SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Lee W. Adams	1987
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Michael P. Koprowski	1987
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### BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Clayton L. Thomas, M.D., Chairman	1988
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Edward J. Killian	1986
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Lawrence Lowenthal	1987
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### CEMETERY COMMISSION

James A. Adams, Sr.	1986
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Llewellyn B. Norton	1988
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Henry Pelletier	1987
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Michael Phifer, Cemetery Superintendent	.
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#### HOUSING AUTHORITY

Alice M. Adams (State Appointee)	1986
Grace G. Stuart, Chairman	1989
Llewellyn B. Norton	1990
Nancy Prescott	1986
Clarence Keith	1987

#### LIBRARY TRUSTEES

John O. Curtis	1987
Joseph DiFabio	1988
Charlotte Day Hudson	1986
Nancy Prescott	1986
Sally Siewick	1987
Paulette Fiset	1988

#### TREE WARDEN

Henry Pelletier	1986
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#### CONSTABLES

Charles McGann	1988
Donald B. Norton	1988
William F. Roberts	1988
John H. Stanton	1988
Charles A. Modugno	1988

#### TRUSTEES - HARRIET HARDING FUND

Alice Adams	1986
Edward J. Killian	1988
Bruce Bennett	1987

#### PLANNING BOARD

Beth St. Clair	1990
Dennis A. McCurdy	1986
David Killian	1987
Edward J. Killian	1989
Susan E. Sutherland	1988

#### TRUSTEES - LINCOLN LIBRARY FUND

Juliane Spooner	1987
Llewellyn B. Norton	1988
Marcia D. Starkey	1986

## APPOINTED OFFICERS

### HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

John L. Sherman	1986
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### TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Phillips Carpenter	resigned February 28, 1986
James McGann	(until May 31, 1986)

### FIRE CHIEF

Michael Wales	1986
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### POLICE CHIEF

Victor Milani	1986
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### SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT PEST CONTROL

David M. Killian	1986
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### MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK

Cheney L. Lawrence	1986
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### FIELD DRIVERS

Gerard Morin	1986
Neil Stalker	1986
David M. Killian	1986

### FENCE VIEWERS

Gerard Morin	1986
Neil Stalker	1986
David M. Killian	1986

### DOG OFFICER

Earl R. Cote, Sr.	1986
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### TOWN COUNSEL

Michael J. Morrill	1986
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#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Pamela Beall	1987
Richard Provost	1987
Douglas Kenyon	1987
Judy O'Donnell	1986
Robert St. Clair	1986
Richard Siewick, Chairman	1988
Baker Brown	1988
Joseph Killian	1988
John Hilker	1986

#### BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Jacqueline Modugno	1987
Grace Stuart	1986
Patricia Lawrence	1988

#### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Lester Dutka	1987
George Gross, Chairman	1986
Richard Demetrius	1988

#### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Michael Koprowski	1986
Arnold Beaton	1987

#### BUILDING INSPECTOR

James Mullane	1986
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#### ZONING OFFICER

Anthony Bys	1986
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#### CIVIL DEFENSE

Robert Coto, Director	1986
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### INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Nickolas DiGregorio	1986
David Hall	1988
Paul Aloia	1987
	1988
	1988

### TRI-TOWN RECREATION COMMITTEE

Dave and Sandra McClatchey	1986
Bob and Karen Bergstrom	1986
Lynn and Ken Lacey	1986
Nilla and Ray Ciesluk	1986
Elaine and Ron Hevey	1986
Jane and Tom Clay	1986
Diane and Ron Heagney	1986
John Miller	1986
Joe Grise	1986
Robin and Warren Bren	1985
Marilyn and Fred Kozyra, Chairman	1986

### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Helen Sweeney, Chairman	1987
Cindy Powers	1987
Gerard Morin	1987
Carol Porter	1986
Henry Pelletier	1986
William Pratt	1988
Herman Haven	1988
Marcia Starkey, Associate Member	1988
Virginia Irvine, Associate Member	1988
Judy Sessler, Associate Member	1988

## BUILDING INSPECTOR BOARD OF APPEALS

1986  
1986  
1986

## MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

Johnstone Prescott	1986
Edward Clark	1986
Francis Langevin	1986
Robert Joyce	1986
Dennis McCurdy	1986
Ted Skowyra	1986
Bernard Samek	1986
James Adams, Jr.	1986
Lyman Stanton, Jr.	1986

## BY-LAW COMMITTEE

George B. Adams	1986
James M. French	1986
Larry Lowenthal	1986

## PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Roger Vincent, Southbridge (Appointed by Bd. of Health)	1986
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## GAS INSPECTOR

Roger Vincent	1986
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## ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

Sumner Barr	1986
Charles Mack	1986

## TOWN HALL CUSTODIAN

Walter Koslowski	1986
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#### HISTORICAL/ARTS COMMISSION

Crawford Lincoln	1987
Elaine Hayes	1987
Helene Lindblad	1988
John Curtis	1988

#### AGENT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Lyman Stanton	1986
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#### ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Lyman Stanton	1986
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#### COUNCIL ON AGING

Frank McLeish, Chairman  
Pearl McLeish  
Elmer Deering  
Florence Gendreau  
Doris Kryzminski  
Frank Sweeney  
Marge Bergstrom  
Mae Peters

#### COMMITTEE OF CORRESPONDENCE

Larry Lowenthal	1986
Brad Powers	1986
Richard Raymond	1986
Judy O'Donnell	1986
Paulette Fiset	1986
Alex Menyhardt	1986

#### SPECIAL BY-LAW REVIEW COMMITTEE

Brian Haley, Selectmen	1986
Jean McGann, Selectmen	1986
Michael Sullivan, Selectmen	1986
Robert Cheney, Moderator	1986
Doris Podlasek, Town Clerk	1986
George Adams, By-Law Committee	1986
Don Fitzgibbons, By-Law Committee	1986
Larry Lowenthal, By-Law Committee	1986
Pamela Beall, Finance Committee; Chairman	1986
George Gross, Zoning Board of Appeals	1986
Susan Sutherland, Planning Board	1986
Carol Porter, Conservation Commission, resigned	
Judy Sessler appointed	1986
Ed Killian, appointed at large	1986
Beth St. Clair, appointed at large	1986
Jim Adams, Jr., appointed at large	1986

#### MAP REVIEW COMMITTEE

George Gross	1986
Judy Sessler	1986
Charles McGann	1986
Stan Podlasek	1986
Charlotte Day Hudson	1986

#### PLANNING BOARD OF APPEALS

Stanley Vaill	1986
Noel Hebert	1986

#### PARKING VIOLATION CLERK

Patricia M. White	1986
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# BIRTHS RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PARENTS</u>
JULY		
3	Adele Renee Langevin	Francis & Tina Langevin
9	Heather Ann Maharne	Michael & Carol Maharne
10	Christopher Ronald Foreman	Ronald & Laurie Foreman
20	Robert Roy Rogers	Ken & Marilyn Rogers
AUGUST		
2	Ryan Michael Caufield	Mike & Marg. Caufield
16	Sara Marie Knapik	Barton & Diane Knapik
20	Chase Stanley Kaitbenski	Brian & Donna Kaitbenski
SEPTEMBER		
11	Diane Beverly Davidson	Leslie & Tere. Davidson
19	George Napoleon Suprenant III	George & Mary Suprenant
19	Michael David Fitzback	Leo & Michelle Fitzback
OCTOBER		
1	Nathan Willard Brackett	Glen & Celeste Brackett
13	Doland Raymond Sylvia II	Donald & Martha Sylvia
13	Sonya Lynne Fife	Larry & Sharalynne Fife
NOVEMBER		
7	Ryan Richard Maloney	Richard & Brenda Maloney
1985		
JANUARY		
10	James Patrick Easton	Lawrence & Betty Easton
FEBRUARY		
6	Shannon Jennifer Byrnes	Robert & Patricia Byrnes
8	Jennifer Rae Roberts	Randolph & Ann Roberts
MARCH		
22	Jacob Lewis Mongeon	Larry & Eliz. Mongeon



APRIL		
14	Evan Jeffrey Moore	Richard & Jane Moore
19	Tina Marie Du Puis	Robert & Karen Du Puis
MAY		
15	Rebecca Nicole Sibley	Roger & Marcia Sibley
17	Billie Jean Petrie	William & Garma Petrie
JUNE		
8	Monique Marie Du Bois	Robert & Suzanne Du Bois

#### DEATHS RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
1984		
AUGUST		
1	Blanche Hazel Freeman	89
8	Alice Marie Booth	89
SEPTEMBER		
1	Glenn Quentin MacNintch	82
11	Matthew Winston Burke	2 Days
20	Cecelia Flebotte	81
OCTOBER		
24	Marie S. Dutka	88
29	Sara Eliza Gerard	80
NOVEMBER		
20	John P. Aloia	19
23	Edward Taylor Dearborn	75
DECEMBER		
8	Gertrude M. Levesque	77
1985		
JANUARY		
7	Francis Leroy Henderson	85
23	George West	84

FEBRUARY

27 MARGARET JENNY DENNING 59

MARCH

7 Henry Nelson Walker 75

25 Mary Bonneau

MAY

3 Herbet W. Baker 89

25 James Lawrence Moore 52

JUNE

20 Francis Daniel Flebotte 39

20 Roger M. Bousquet 71

26 Phyllis F. Naylor 63

MARRIAGES RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>GROOM AND RESIDENCE</u>	<u>BRIDE &amp; RESIDENCE</u>
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1984

JULY

14	Normann P. Humpel, Jr. Ware, Ma.	Carol L. Dionne Brimfield, Ma.
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21	Stephen A. Phifer Brimfield, Ma.	Elaine C. Aliengena Palmer, Ma.
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AUGUST

4	David LeSiege South Hadley, Ma.	Dawn M. Poulin Brimfield, Ma.
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18	Douglas V. Adriance, Jr. Brookfield, Ma.	Brenda L. Puduski Brimfield, Ma.
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25	Jeffrey N. Mayfield Holland, Ma.	Holly A. Lawrence Brimfield, Ma.
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25	Scott P. Sigrist Duxbury, Ma.	Lee Anne Labonte Brimfield, Ma.
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SEPTEMBER

22	Michael J. Bliss Brimfield, Ma.	Cindy L. Demas East Brookfield, Ma.
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OCTOBER

20

John Flom  
Agawam, Ma.

Karen Birchenough  
Brimfield, Ma.

NOVEMBER

3

David L. MacGillivray  
Holland, Ma.

Carol M. Dickinson  
Brimfield, Ma.

DECEMBER

29

Edmund E. Gumbs  
Warwick, Bermuda

Barbara C. DeMoura  
Warwick, Bermuda

29

Armand J. Piche  
Brimfield, Ma.

Carol M. Folger  
Brimfield, Ma.

1985

JUNE

15

Thomas J. Wilburn  
San Bruno, California

Margery J. Stanton  
San Bruno, California



## ACTION TAKEN AT TOWN MEETINGS

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING October 16, 1984

Article 1. Voted to transfer the sum of \$9,868 from the appropriation of Article 10, May 1984 and from Article 10, May 1983 for the town well.

Article 2. Voted that \$6,750 be transferred from the Brimfield Legal Committee for Human Health and Safety account for town hall wiring.

Article 3. Voted that the sum of \$1,200 be transferred from the Aquifer study account for an assistant assessor.

Article 4. Voted to take no action on town hall furnishings.

Article 5. Voted to lay on the tgable membership in planning district.

Article 6. Voted that the sum of \$800 be transferred from the Aquifer Study account and \$200 be transferred from the Legal Committee expense account for an energy audit.

Article 7. Voted to R & A \$980 for police van repairs.

Article 8. Voted that no action be taken regarding fees for planning courses.

Article 9. Voted to R & A \$1,000 for repairs to fire department pick-up truck.

Article 10. Voted to sell the 1958 Ford and 1954 GMC fire vehicles.

Article 11. Voted that no action be taken regarding the disposal of Buffalo fire truck.

Article 12. Voted to R & A \$280 to reimburse Mr. Ed Killian.

Article 13. Voted that the \$2500 state aid be appropriated to the use of the library.

Article 14. Voted that the by-laws be amended to read that an audit of accounts of the town shall be made every three years.

Article 15. Voted that no action be taken regarding this by law change regarding flea markets.

Article 16. Voted to accept a gift of a Class I ambulance if made available by the Commonwealth.

Article 17. Voted to transfer the Class I ambulance accepted above to the Brimfield Ambulance Service, Inc.

Article 18. Voted to R & A \$10,700 for Lake Sherman clean up.

Article 19. Voted to amend the zoning by-law regarding flea markets in the Crystal Brook area.

Article 20. Voted to accept contributions for the Washington Painting Restoration fund.

Article 21. Voted to execute and deliver a deed to Clara C. Cournoyer and Philip Cournoyer.

Article 22. Voted to accept the zoning by law regarding flea markets and remaining overnight on the grounds.

#### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING 3-25-85

ARTICLE 1. Voted to rescind action taken on Article 18 of the Special Town meeting of October 16, 1984. Voted to R & A \$10,700 to conduct a feasibility study to determine water quality and a course of action for the clean-up of the several bodies of water in the town.

ARTICLE 2. Motion defeated to prohibit the utilization of herbicides or any chemical treatment in the management of weed control of any body of water in the Town.

ARTICLE 3. Voted to accept the police cruiser as a gift from Trant Equipment Co. & voted that police van be returned to the CD director for use of the police dept. and dog control officer as authorized by the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 4. Voted to accept any sums of money donated by citizens for the purchase of equipment for the police cruiser.

ARTICLE 5. Voted to use the \$432.20 to remove brush at brook inlet to Lake Sherman.

ARTICLE 6. Voted to R & A \$1,200 for Town Common Grant.

ARTICLE 7. Voted to transfer \$1,200 to provide for temporary assessing service to evaluate new property to be included in 1985 tax base.

#### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 5-13-85

ARTICLE 1. Voted to accept without reading the reports of the officers and agents of the town with the exception of the addition of the word "not" after the word voted, on page 81, Article 37 of the annual town report.

ARTICLE 2. Voted that the salaries of the elected town officers be approved as amended.

ARTICLE 3. Voted that the budget be accepted as amended.

ARTICLE 4. Voted to take no action regarding unpaid bills for FY 85.



ARTICLE 5. Voted to take no action on unpaid bills prior to FY 85.

ARTICLE 6. Voted to take no action on by-law change regarding selectmen terms.

ARTICLE 7. Voted to take no action on by-law change regarding transitional election for selectmen.

ARTICLE 8. Voted to take no action regarding selectmen's clerk.

ARTICLE 9. Voted to establish a committee of correspondence and R & A \$200 for expenses of same.

ARTICLE 10. Voted that no action be taken regarding planning district membership.

ARTICLE 11. Voted to R&A \$15,053 to provide ambulance service.

ARTICLE 12. Voted to transfer from RS \$19,000 to purchase a cab and chassis for the Highway Dept.

ARTICLE 13. Voted to R&A \$1,440 and transfer \$4,000 from the Compensation Insurance Fund to purchase comp. insurance.

ARTICLE 14. Voted to R&A \$2,000 for expense and \$3,504 for salary for the circuit rider program.

ARTICLE 15. Voted to take no action regarding Chapter 90 roads.

ARTICLE 16. Voted to R&A \$214 for the home care services.

ARTICLE 17. Voted that the Town R & A \$375 for Civil Defense.

ARTICLE 18. Voted that the county dog related reimbursements be given to the use of the library.

ARTICLE 19. Voted to authorize the Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of Revenue.

ARTICLE 20. Voted to authorize the Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of reimbursement.

ARTICLE 21. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell Tax Title Property at public auction.

ARTICLE 22. Voted to R&A \$22,000 to the Stabilization fund.

ARTICLE 23. Voted to transfer \$4,000 from RS for town barn doors.

ARTICLE 24. Voted to transfer the balance of the parking ticket fund as of 6-30-85 for the purpose of lowering the tax rate.

ARTICLE 25. Voted to transfer all but \$5,000 from the Flea Market fund as of 6-30-85 for the purpose of lowering the tax rate.

ARTICLE 26. Voted to R&A \$3,000 for Tri-Link.

ARTICLE 27. Voted to transfer from RS \$3,105 for the purchase of a lawn mower for the Town.

ARTICLE 28. Voted to take no action on gas for mower.

ARTICLE 29. Voted to take no action for fertilizer for the common.

ARTICLE 30. Voted to take no action regarding MMA Consulting.

ARTICLE 31. Voted to take no action regarding a handicap ramp plan.

ARTICLE 32. Voted to take no action regarding a handicap ramp construction.

ARTICLE 33. Voted to take no action regarding street numbering.

ARTICLE 34. Voted to transfer from RS \$1,500 for street posts and signs.

ARTICLE 35. Voted to transfer \$8,500 from RS for diesel oil tank.

ARTICLE 36. Voted to take no action regarding fencing.

ARTICLE 37. Voted to donate the 1927 fire truck as a gift to an organization who will agree to restore it and use it for parades or as a display in a museum.

ARTICLE 38. Voted to create a committee to investigate the feasibility of constructing a concrete vault for the storage and protection of the town records, said committee to be appointed by the selectmen.

ARTICLE 39. Voted to transfer \$900 from RS for the scenic rivers grant.

ARTICLE 40. Voted that no action be taken regarding 200 foot zoning change.

ARTICLE 41. Voted to take no action regarding the town flag.

ARTICLE 42. Voted to R&A \$4,000 for Lake Sherman Roads.

ARTICLE 43. Voted to lay on the table personnel policy by-law.

ARTICLE 44. Voted to lay on the table personnel relations board.

ARTICLE 45. Voted to transfer from RS \$3,750 for the purchase of a computer for the town.

ARTICLE 46. Voted to appoint a special by-law review commission.



ARTICLE 47. Voted to lay on the table mobile home zoning change.

ARTICLE 48. Voted to take no action on mass gathering by-law.

ARTICLE 49. Voted to take no action regarding sale of town land.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris S. Podlasek  
Town Clerk

Salary \$2,800

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

July 1, 1984 - June 30, 1985

The Board of Selectmen is pleased to submit this report to the Town of Brimfield. In many respects this has been a very active and rewarding year. This report will attempt to highlight many of the important events of the year.

On July 3, the town celebrated the successful termination of the siting process regarding hazardous waste facilities, thus ending a long struggle by many different persons, boards, and committees to prevail.

The Board of Selectmen is continuing to devote many hours in coping with the increasing number of zoning and by-law violations. The Board has received many complaints concerning the number of unregistered cars and signs; hopefully the appointment of a separate zoning officer will help to alleviate the problem areas.

The Fire and Highway Departments continue to improve with newer and heavier equipment more suitable to the needs of the town.

The Police Department acquired a new police cruiser which is now fully operational; also, the Department received the support of the Board on a bicycle safety and fingerprinting program in an effort to provide a better informed public.

The condition of Lake Sherman continues to be a major concern of the Board. The town has asked Lee Lyman of Lycott Environmental to research the specific causes of the current problems and report in detail the results of the diagnostic survey and to make recommendations for a final solution. The future availability of state aid is solely dependent on the town obtaining a public access to the lake. The Board has given this phase a high priority during 1985-1986.

The town applied for a state grant to restore the Town Common. Through the efforts of Charles Seelig, the town received the grant in excess of \$100,000. The Board is presently interviewing potential architectural firms interested in undertaking this project, thus preserving an important part of Brimfield's history.

The Board has discussed the problems of constructing a handicap ramp outside the Town Hall, which is now required by Federal and State Statute. However, problems of available space, as well as aesthetic value of the building is of concern. The town's insurance costs are increasing at an alarming rate. The projected cost for the 1986-87 year is expected to double its present premium rate. The town is seeking alternative solutions to this problem.

There has been much to do about flea markets, expenses, revolving accounts, permits, and public safety during the year. The Board has recommended changes in the procedure and hopes to implement those changes in the foreseeable future. The most important change would be a separate individual to handle flea market affairs.

The well was completed during the year, new piping and valves were installed into various town buildings. With the combined efforts of Mr. Edward Killian and the Highway Department, the project was completed. As the well neared completion, the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering (DEQE) attempted to have the well reclassified as a public water supply. The Board is not in agreement with the DEQE.

The Board would like to give circuit rider Charles Seelig recognition for a job well done. Through the efforts of Charles Seelig many of the grants, financial and technical assistance programs that the town received throughout the year would not be possible. It would seem appropriate to list several:

1. Incentive and developing recreation, open space.
2. Insurance.
3. Energy Audit.

In closing, the Board would like to thank all the many dedicated, elected, and appointed officials for a job well done. The Board would like to extend a special thank you to the many volunteers who participated and made possible the many events and projects throughout the year. To those that have served the town in the past, we sincerely thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian N. Haley, Chairman

Jean A. McGann

Michael H. Sullivan

The Board of Selectmen received the following remuneration:

Brian N. Haley:	\$800
Jean A. McGann:	\$750
Michael H. Sullivan:	\$750



## **CIRCUIT RIDER REPORT FOR MARCH 1985-MARCH 1986**

**After two years, is there a good job description for the "circuit rider" position?**

No, there is not. Many people in the towns would like to see the Circuit Rider spend all of his time on grant applications and administration. Others would like to see him work on budgetary and financial problems. And another group see him working with a number of boards and committees, researching a wide range of topics. Probably the largest group though, still is not completely sure of what they would like him to do. What is dangerous is if I work exclusively in one area only (such as grant applications), others have to pick up the work left undone. And if the Circuit Rider is judged in one area exclusively, then that judgement includes a decision that work in all other areas is meaningless and worthless.

**You spoke about grants. What grants have you worked on during the last year?**

The grant that has taken up more of my time than any other has been the town common project in Brimfield. The total award by the state was \$107,400 and the project should be completed by September 1986. It will involve granite curbing around the perimeter of the common and the Civil War Monument area, work on the walkways, tree plantings, resodding and reseeding, and other work as the budget allows.

However, this has not been the only grant that I have been involved in. Both Holland and Brimfield were awarded monies to pay for energy conservation measures. Holland received \$2,000 for computer training, and both towns have received \$4,000 for an insurance consultant to review policies, coverages, and risk prevention. With the Economic Development Committee moving along in Holland, I would expect to be writing grant applications for road improvements, possibly water and septic system work, and the essential market research. Holland will be eligible for a STRAP grant when the next round of funding is available (hopefully, this spring). This grant is designed for road improvements in towns with a population of under 2,000. Brimfield will be applying for work on roads used almost exclusively used for recreation areas. And, I expect the towns will be applying for more money for energy grants.

**But what about grants for the things we need like police and fire equipment or money for personnel in those departments, or highway trucks?**

During the past two years, I have yet to see a grant that covered these areas. It would probably be very difficult to receive one since I would expect every one of the 351 towns and cities in the Commonwealth would like to have more money for these areas. Holland has asked for as much information as possible on surplus equipment, so the town is now on several mailing lists and any catalogs that are received are copied and passed on to the department heads.

### **Besides the grants, what other items have you been working on?**

Well in Holland, the budget and projections of revenues and expenditures have been a prime concern. The town is faced with a growing gap between the needs of the departments and the money the town can raise. If state and federal aid increases 3% in a year, the tax levy goes up 2.5%, but teachers are paid 7-9% more, other town employees ask for a 5% hike, and inflation is 4%, then the town has to make some serious decisions.

The Board of Selectmen appointed an Economic Development Committee which has been meeting since December. A great deal of progress has been made in identifying possible areas for commercial development and establishing priorities between the health and safety of Holland residents, the character of the town, and the need to increase the tax base. This work will continue for some time.

The third major area that I have been involved in has been insurance for the town. As you know, the charges to the town for the policies covering such things as property damage, police professional liability, automobile, and worker's compensation jumped from about \$24,000 in FY85 to \$48,000 in FY86. It is expected that they will double again for FY87. Because of that, the town is investigating joining a pool being organized by the Massachusetts Interlocal Insurance Association, trying to get more competition for insurance bids, and the possibility of self-insurance or lowered coverage in some areas.

In addition to the above, there are any number of short-term projects which might consist of one phone call or a couple of hours of research. The topics can range from liquor license laws to the grandfather clause for subdivisions to revenue sharing regulations.

In Brimfield, besides the town common, the major area of work has been with the accounting system. Thankfully, all I have done is draw up some preliminary account balance totals for the various departments and work with Jim McGann, Susan Cox, Jean McGann, and Roland Chaffee on solving some of the questions that have been discovered. This area should be settled by town meeting time.

The Macintosh computer that I am writing this report on is one area that has developed very well. Several departments are already using it for various purposes, and as the months go by, other town officials will be taught the various programs and possible uses. Robert St. Clair has been an enormous help in teaching the use of the machine.

Again, many things come up for a short period of time. In Brimfield, they include working on the warrant, flea market problems, the town well, and keeping the filing cabinet straight.

### **What is your current schedule like?**

This year, especially during the last four or five months, I have been going to evening meetings at least two or three times a week. There is no other method of conducting business in the towns, what with many people working their own jobs on a 9 to 5 basis. Yet, for contacting other



governments, some daytime hours are essential. What happens is that I rarely work a 9 to 5 schedule, but one that adjusts to the needs of the townspeople and town officials as well as the worlds of business and government. The result is about a 50 hour week (again, with the busy season of winter and spring, the number of hours increases to about 55). The amount I receive does not vary with the number of hours I put in. It's a salary, not a wage that I earn, and I earn it for doing my job, not for telling people that I do not do any work after 5pm. This may conflict with some established conceptions of when people should work, but I find that I cannot do my job any other way.

**Given the salaries that have been in the paper lately for positions in other towns, why have you not left yet?**

First, I promised three years of service to the towns. It is one I feel comfortable about keeping as I enjoy my work here and like dealing with the 4000 or so people that I work for. And given the continued changeover in personnel (in Brimfield, there will be at least **seven** people serving as selectmen in three years), some degree of continuity is needed. In February 1987, the towns will take over 100% of the salary and expenses of the circuit rider. At that point, I will consider the position established and feel that I could leave without having the job dissolve. Also, it will be a good time for the towns to reconsider what they want the circuit rider position to be and then to hire someone else who can do the things that need to be done. This does not mean that I will leave at the end of three years though. Just that it will be time for me to reconsider my goals and objectives.

**What are the three or four things that you want to do during the next year?**

In Holland, work with the Economic Development Committee to establish a long-term plan, continue to work on the town budget and try and cut down the size of the problem involved, and see if the town can capture some of the monies available for highway work. In Brimfield, see the town common project completed, continue training work with the Macintosh, and work with the four major financial departments to save more and spend less.





TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

For the fiscal year 1985 (July 1, 1984 - June 30, 1985) the "Green" sheet estimate of incoming funds was as follows:

A. REIMBURSEMENT FOR LOSS OF TAXES

State owned land	\$15,624	
Flood control	28,476	
Surviving spouses	1,024	
Elderly persons	4,438	\$49,562

B. EDUCATION

School Aid, Chapter 70	164,762	
Transportation of pupils	35,094	
Construction costs	17,470	
School related transportation	4,920	
Tuition for State Wards	13,176	
Additional aid to public libraries	672	
Transportation of regional pupils	38,769	
Public libraries	1,250	
School lunch program	2,499	278,612

C. GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Veterans' Benefits	4,053	
Highway Reconstruction	34,436	
Local aid fund	67,843	
Local aid fund (lottery)	29,488	
Highway fund, Chapter 81	24,683	160,503

D. TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS, FISCAL 1985

\$488,677

"CHERRY" SHEET CHARGES INCLUDE:

County Tax	63,094
Audit of Municipal Accounts	21
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	354
State recreation areas	10,607
Air Pollution Control	430
Air Pollution prior year underestimate	51
	<u>\$74,557</u>

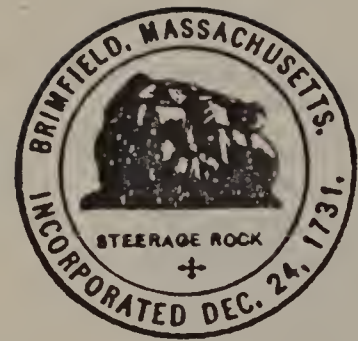
Prior year overestimates to be used as  
available funds

502

Total Charges

\$74,055

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS



Gross amount to be raised	\$1,890,154.76
Estimated receipts and available funds	746,166.00
Net amount to be raised by taxation	1,143,988.76

Tax Rate - \$22.90

Personal property valuation	2,586,450.00
Real Estate Valuation	<u>47,369,391.00</u>
	\$49,955,841.00

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Starkey, Chairman

James Killian

Anne Dutka

Susan Cox, Clerk

Salaries:

Richard Starkey	\$450
James Killian	450
Anne Dutka	450
Susan Cox	3,000



DEPARTMENT OF POLICE  
TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
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CHIEF OF POLICE  
VICTOR J. MILANI

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

I take pleasure in submitting the Annual report of the Police Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1985. The present force consists of a Chief, a Deputy Chief, one Lieutenant, one Sergeant, and nine Patrolmen.

ROSTER OF THE DEPARTMENT

Chief  
Victor J. Milani

Deputy Chief  
William F. Roberts

Lieutenant  
Donald B. Norton

Sergeant  
Louis Iadisernia

Patrolmen

Robert Boucher  
Earl L. Cote Sr.  
Patricia M. Coto  
Donna L. Kellyar  
Richard Kszepka

Charles McGann Jr.  
Charles A. Modugno  
Joel R. Norton  
Alexander Schmid

Officers have been assigned to routine patrols and special assignments. In addition, officers have served at funerals, weekly church services, town caucuses, town meetings, road races, county fairs, and town elections.

One new patrolman has been appointed to the department this year, former Palmer police officer Robert Boucher. Robert brings to the department several years of experience he acquired as a result of serving as a police officer in the town of Palmer, Mass.

The Department is proud to announce that all supervisory officers, as well as all patrolman have completed the fifteen week Reserve Intermittent Police Academy sponsored by the Mass. Criminal Justice Training Council.



The Brimfield Police Department and the Friends of Brimfield co-sponsored a child identification program on June 1-3 1985, at the Brimfield police station. We are pleased to announce that over 200 children were finger printed during this program. Any parent still wishing to have their child participate in this program may do so by contacting the Brimfield Police Department to schedule an appointment.

The Department wishes to acknowledge the efforts of its emergency services dispatchers: Rebecca Chapin, Cynthia Clark, Janet Hastings, Linda Collette, Donna Hellyar, Joanne Milani, G.G. Szanderowski, Maryann Wales, and Karen Weglarz.

During this past year Crime Prevention officer, Patricia Coto, has continued to be very active in the presentation of the Crime Watch Program. The department is grateful to Mr. Frank McLeish for his assistance to the department in sponsoring this program.

We continue to urge you to report any incident or person you deem to be suspicious. Continued public awareness of crime prevention programs is a first essential step in combating crime.

### GENERAL CALLS

Ambulance Assists .....	5
Assists at fires .....	6
Automobile Accidents .....	19
Automobiles Recovered .....	4
Buildings Open .....	1
Disabled Motor Vehicles .....	16
Disturbances .....	17
Dog Complaints (referred to dog officer) .....	28
Vacant Homes Checked .....	67
Loose Animals .....	24
Objects on Roadway .....	3
Prowlers .....	8
Summonses and Supoenas Served .....	42

### INVESTIGATIONS

Arson .....	1
Assault .....	5
Assault and Battery .....	7
Assault and Battery with a Dangerous Weapon .....	4
Attempted Burglary .....	3
Attempted Indecent Assault .....	1
Attempt to Rape a Child .....	1
Breaking and Entering in the Daytime .....	8
Breaking and Entering in the Nighttime .....	12
Burglary .....	2
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny from a Building .....	2
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny from a Motor Vehicle...	3
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny of a Motor Vehicle ....	2
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny over \$100.00 .....	4
Delinquency by Reason of Malicious Destruction of Property..	1
Delinquency by Reason of Possession of Alcohol .....	6
Delinquency by Reason of Class D Controlled Substance ..	1
Delinquency by Reason of Receiving Stolen Property .....	5
Discharge of Firearms .....	9
Disorderly Person .....	8
Indecent Exposure .....	1
Illegal Discarding of Rubbish .....	2
Larceny by Check .....	16
Larceny of Motor Vehicle .....	1

Larceny over \$100 .....31

Larceny under \$100 .....9

Malicious Destruction of Property .....3

Minor in Possession of Alcoholic Beverage .....5

Obscene Telephone Calls .....9

Possession of Class D Controlled Substance .....3

Possession of Dangerous Weapon .....4

Procuring Alcoholic Beverage for a Minor .....3

Rape .....1

Receiving Stolen Property .....6

Robbery (unarmed) .....1

Runaway .....4

Trespassing .....8

Violation of Dog Restraining Order(reffered to dog officer) .....14

CITATIONS

Motor Vehicle Warnings .....13

Motor Vehicle Complaints .....71

Parking Violations .....174

PROTECTIVE CUSTODY AND ARRESTS

Arrests on Warrants' .....12

Arrests without Warrants .....31

Protective Custody .....3

REQUESTS AND ASSISTS TO OTHER POLICE DEPARTMENTS

Arrests .....3

License Status check .....16

Relay Summons .....8

Relay Persons .....2

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

FID permits Issued .....33

License Revocation and Suspension forms Processed .....31

Military Inquiries .....4

Pistol Permits Issued .....49

Police Reports Supplied (accidents and investigation) .....16

References .....5

Sunday Work Permits .....1

Verify Motor Vehicle VIN for Title .....11



In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen for their continued cooperation. The Department also wishes to express its appreciation to the Massachusetts State Police for assistance received, and the residents of Brimfield for their continued cooperation and support.

To my officers, a special thanks for your loyalty and conscientiousness in the performance of your duties.

Respectfully submitted,

*Victor J. Milani*  
Victor J. Milani  
Chief of Police

#### OFFICERS SALARIES

<u>Officer</u>	<u>Town Salary</u>	<u>Detail/Flea Mkt. Salary</u>
Robert Boucher	32.00	608.00
Earl L. Cote Sr.	170.00	1,232.00
Patricia M. Coto	64.00	704.00
Donna L. Hellyar	206.00	772.00
Louis Iadisernia	230.00	1,856.00
Richard Kszepka	60.00	1,236.00
Charles McGann Jr.	161.00	812.00
Victor J. Milani	2,350.00	1,985.00
Charles A. Modugno	144.00	2,360.00
Donald B. Norton	120.00	1,272.00
Joel R. Norton	104.00	1,196.00
William F. Roberts	38.00	0
Alex Schmid	106.00	740.00



TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
01010

COUNCIL ON AGING

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY  
EMPLOYER

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

The Brimfield Council on Aging provides Elderbus Service to anyone 55 years of age or older or handicapped from the three towns of Brimfield, Holland and Wales. This service is available five days a week Monday through Friday.

We are grateful to the town of Brimfield for providing the Elderbus Office located in the Town Hall. Our office is staffed by a full time Secretary/Dispatcher/Driver.

Our service is funded by the following sources:

Town of Brimfield	Dept. of Elder Affairs (Boston)
Home Care Corp. of Springfield	Title III and Title XX Grants

We have 11 VOLUNTEER drivers for which we are grateful. I submit the following data for the past year.

Man Hours	800	(Duplicate)	3,525
Miles Traveled	16,000	People Served	(Unduplicate) 425

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Elmer Deering	Pearl McLeish (Treasurer)
Florence Gendreau	Grace Stuart
Doris Krzyminski	Frank Sweeney
Frank McLeish (Chairman)	Marge Bergstrom
May Peters (Secretary)	

Respectfully submitted,

Frank D. McLeish, Chairman  
Council on Aging

BRIMFIELD AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC.

Annual Report - 1984-85

The highlight of the past year was the gift of a second-hand Class 1 ambulance from the State, a vehicle being replaced by the Monson Developmental Center. This is a 1977 ambulance in good condition, and it allowed us to upgrade our position considerably, selling our 1973 Class 2 vehicle. Representative Moriarty presented the keys to the Town of Brimfield in November, and the Town voted to give the ambulance to us.

Financially, we were able to reduce by 2% the assessments for all three towns. We have also been able to paint both ambulances to care for rust problems, and to begin replacing worn pagers - two this year. We hope to be able to budget some funds for new pagers each year so that we can avoid a major expense later on. This fall, however, we have been faced with a 350% increase in the cost of our liability insurance - roughly from \$1000 to \$4400. Of this increase, \$1000 is the cost of the second half-million alone of the coverage we provide for the three towns as "added insureds."

Six new people have joined our staff, and we would like to encourage anyone interested in doing this important work to talk with our full-time crew about courses (Linda Collette or Steve Denning at the Fire Station). We will reimburse the cost of an EMT course to graduates who run for us for six months after completing their training. The staff as of October 1985 is as follows:

Paul Blanchard	CPR	Donna Hellyar	DISP
Al Braught	EMT	Joanne Milani	DISP
Clarke Brown	EMT	Steve Modugno	EMT
Becky Chapin	DISP	Pat Moran	CPR
Dave Charron	EMT	Don Norton	EMT
Linda Collette	EMT	Sue Phifer	EMT
John Cox	1st RESP.	Steve Shaclumis	EMT
Ron Cox	1st RESP.	Sue Sutherland	EMT SP
Ward Cox	EMT	G.G. Szanderowski	DISP
County Line	DISP	Eddie Warren	1st RESP.
Steve Denning	EMT	Karen Weglarz	DISP & EMT
Charley Dugay	EMT	Larry Wemyss	CPR
Susan Dugay	EMT	Pat White	CPR
Janet Hastings	DISP	Peter Whitten	EMT

These are the people who make our service the first-rate one it is, and we greatly respect and appreciate their dedication. Continued thanks also to the Clarks at County Line, who provide daytime week-day coverage of the emergency phone, free of charge, when the ambulance crew is out on call.

Finally, we appreciate each donation we have received. These



go directly into our savings account to provide for major equipment purchases.

Financial Report - 7/1/84 - 6/30/85:

Total Income	\$ 67,014.50	
Total Expenses	<u>60,942.56</u>	
Excess Income Over Expenses		\$6,071.94

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Analysis of Excess:		
Fund-raising & Donation Excess	\$ 8,137.06	
Operating Fund Loss *	<u>-2,065.12</u>	
		\$6,071.94

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Analysis of Operating Funds:		
1982,1983,1984 cumulative excess	\$ 4,151.01	
*Budgeted and spent in 1985	<u>-2,065.12</u>	
		\$2,085.89

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Conners	Jean McGann
Charlotte Corry	Richard Morris
Robert Hanna	Helen Rhoades
Ann Lincoln	Julianne Spooner



REPORT OF THE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

In addition to routine maintenance of the cemetery, 9 burials were performed and 10 foundations constructed. Also we have just begun construction of a new section of the cemetery.

The total amount spent for perpetual care was \$12,613.70.

The total town appropriation of \$2,755.00 was spent.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

*Michael H. Phifer*

MICHAEL H. PHIFER  
CEMETETERY SUPERINTENDENT

an  
Introduction to

THE  
MASSACHUSETTS  
WETLANDS  
PROTECTION ACT



**What is the Wetlands Act ?**

Briefly stated the law is "No person shall remove, fill, dredge or alter a wetland without first filing a Notice of Intent with the Conservation Commission".

**How is the law carried out ?**

This is a regulatory law. It does not mean that absolutely no work is permitted in wetlands or bordering areas.

If in doubt, ask the Commission for a Determination of Applicability.

If it is determined that the proposed project is within 100 feet of a wetland you must file a Notice of Intent with the Conservation Commission stating the purpose of the proposed project, how you propose to do it and the effects on the area.

If the Notice of Intent is complete, a public hearing will be held within 21 days. Then all information and plans of the proposed project will be discussed and questions asked.

Within 21 days of the hearing the Commission will issue an Order of Conditions stating what can be done and how - or a denial.

Within 10 days of issue of a denial or an order the applicant, an aggrieved person, an abutter, or any ten residents can appeal to the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering (DEQE).

**Are there penalties ?**

Yes, The Commission has authority to issue Cease & Desist orders. Fines up to \$1000.00 per day or imprisonment up to six months or both may be imposed. Failure to comply can be much more expensive than filing a Notice of Intent

**How is a wetland defined?**

Other than a stream, pond, lake, marsh, swamp or bog which are evident, areas bordering wetlands are defined by vegetational communities.

**Why are they protected?**

1. To protect public and private water supplies
2. To protect the groundwater supply
3. To control storm damage
4. For flood control ability
5. To prevent pollution

**Who is responsible ?**

Every citizen is responsible for the protection of wetlands and particularly the Conservation Commission. Further information is available from the Commission and at the Brimfield Public Library.

Town of Brimfield

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

1985



## REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

If Massachusetts' principal natural resources are wood, water, and fish, the proper harvesting of our extensive forests is essential. The Forest Cutting Practices Act requires:

1. Written notice given to the Conservation Commission.
2. Reasonable effort to minimize access through wetlands, flood plains, and areas subject to the Wetlands Act.
3. Crossings stabilized to prevent erosion.
4. Exposed soils stabilized.

Small scale cutting is not exempt from the regulations.

The Conservation Commission has reviewed many cutting plans and has inspected the wetland areas in some.

The \$432.20 returned to the Town from the Meadowbrook project by vote of the Town Meeting was authorized to be used to clean Sessions Brook of debris under the direction of the Commission.

Letters were sent to all May flea market operators and inspections were made of wetlands in flea market areas. A hearing was held for four instances of wetland filling.

Several members attended the M.A.C.C. meeting at Holy Cross College in March. It was especially satisfying this year because of the opportunity to consult with authorities in the Conservation field.

The Commission met with Mr. Lee Lyman of Lycott Environmental Research and the Lake Sherman Association and sent representatives to the meeting with Mr. Eben Cheseborough - a preliminary to applying for financial help from the State.

During the past year, Henry Pelletier and Cynthia Powers continued to work with other members of the Quaboag River Watershed Association to begin to develop a management plan to protect and to preserve the Quaboag River and to make people more aware of its natural resources. Activities sponsored by the association have included speakers, films and an annual canoe tour. New members are always welcome.

Conservation literature has been presented to the Library for public use. The Commission has welcomed two new associate members--Virginia Irvine and Judith Sessler.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen E. Sweeney, Chairman  
Herman J. Haven  
Carol Porter

Gerard J. Morin  
Cynthia Powers  
James French

Henry L. Pelletier  
William Pratt  
Marcia Starkey, Assoc. member

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

July 1, 1984 to June 30, 1985:

I removed ash tree by Mr. Robert Murray's property; a large maple at the Westons on Warren Road; trimmed low hanging branches on Old Brimfield Road. I also removed a stump on the Town Common. I removed two large ash trees on Devils Lane; removed two large maple trees on Prospect Hill Road.

Total expenditures: \$1,000.00

We need a chipper to get rid of brush. This would allow more work to be done for the same money spent.

Henry L. Pelletier

## REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

June 20, 1984 to June 26, 1985:

Dogs destroyed: 39	Dogs sold: 6
Dogs returned to owners: 7	Pups: 31
Dead dogs picked up in roads: 9	87 complaints.

Earl Cote

## REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Due to the February, 1986 resignation of Phillips Carpenter as Town Accountant, no Accountant's report is available at this time. We hope to be able to include this financial information in a report which will be available at the Town Meeting.

James McGann  
Temporary Town Accountant



TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF  
TREASURER

June 30, 1985: Cash on Hand:

LIA Savings #27-01472	\$ 16,925.52
Savings Account #60-101-0024	1.70
Revenue Sharing Account	\$ 81,152.94

Shawmut Worcester County Trust Fund Package  
#96044100

Stabilization Fund	\$ 20,662.89
Library: FitzHenry Warren	1,130.25
U.J. Shaw	2,813.33
Philip Burns Family	1,130.25
Lincoln/Danielson	6,461.71
Public Library Endowment:	
Hyde	1,002.40
Flint	121.50
Tarbell	243.00
Coy	569.81
Robinson	497.83
Woods	607.53
Pearson Monument Fence Fund	487.87
Chamberlain Smith Historical	1,353.06
Cemetary Funds:	
Gate Fund	327.08
Hoyt Animal	1,587.16
Wall Fund	1,141.06
Perpetual Care (Principle/Interest)	51,048.20
Schools: Philip Burns	4,948.66
Harriett Allen	3,924.99
Harriet Harding Fund	<u>11,893.02</u>

Total Trust Fund Package 6/30/85

\$112,350.50

Respectively submitted,

Salary: \$4,000.





FINANCE COMMITTEE

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

August 26, 1985

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
FISCAL YEAR 1985

As the Finance Committee began deliberations for Fiscal Year 1986, the committee was pleased to welcome new members Doug Kenyon and Judy O'Donnell. Baker Brown also joined us in mid-year.

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1985, \$9973 was transferred from the Reserve Fund to cover emergency requirements: \$4835 to the Library for furnace repairs; \$400 to Treasurer for check-writer repairs; \$1650 to Town Hall for repairs to roof and chimney and \$3088 to Highway for Machinery Maintenance. Information about other unpaid bills was not available when the deadline (July 15) for transferring Reserve Fund for FY 85 closed.

During our review of the town warrant for the annual town meeting of May 1985, the finance committee was concerned about an \$81,000 deficit reported by state financial advisors to the board of selectmen. The budget and warrant recommendations were made in anticipation of that expense. At the last minute we were informed that the state charged the deficit against the much delayed tax rate for FY 85. This resulted in some confusion at annual town meeting, but the town had greater flexibility over spending issues for FY 86 as a result.

Modest spending for FY 86 will not be enough to bring stability to town business. The tax rate must be set in a timely fashion and borrowing must be reduced.

James A. Adams, Jr.  
Pamela E. Beall, Secretary (\$50)  
Baker Brown  
Doug Kenyon

Jacques Mathieu, Chairman  
Judy O'Donnell  
Bradford Powers  
Richard Provost  
Richard Siewick



BRIMFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT  
Wales Road  
Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010



MICHAEL L. WALES  
CHIEF

During the year ending June 30, 1985, the Fire Department responded to a total of 99 alarms, and processed 74 permit applications. The following is a breakdown of the alarms.

Mutual aid given	11	Chimney fires	14
House fires	5	Motor vehicle fires	6
Barn/garage fires	1	Motor vehicle accidents	13
Grass fires	15	False alarms	13
Brush fires	14	Transformer fire	1
Dumpster fire	1	Propane leak	1
Gasoline spills	2	Search and rescue	2

This year showed an increase in our alarm responses. The major increases were in grass and brush fires, and false alarms.

During fiscal year 1984/85, we were involved in what was known as the "Peaked Mountain Fire" in Monson. The Brimfield firefighters saw much action at this fire, including over 600 hours at the fire scene and more than 120 hours covering the Monson Fire Station. This fire has taught us an important lesson. That is that no local fire department has the resources to quell a fire of this magnitude, and therefor, we must rely heavily on mutual aid responses to large fires. During the length of this fire, we saw firefighters and equipment from as far away as Worcester, Pittsfield, and Somers, Conn., as well as much needed help from the National Guard helicopters.

In the past year, the Brimfield firefighters spent 1738 man hours at emergency scenes. This shows an average of 63 hours per firefighter, for which the average annual salary was \$ 37.39, or 59¢ per hour. This is in addition to many hours spent at training, meetings, and working on the equipment.

This year saw the delivery of two much needed pieces of equipment. The first is a 1979 Autocar tanker/pumper which carries 3,000 gallons of water. This truck also has a 1,000 gallon per minute front mount pump. The truck purchase committee gave the contract to build this apparatus to Yankee Coach of Palmer. I would like to thank the members of the committee for their time and assistance towards this goal. The members were Jean McGann, Robert Joyce, Gene Roberts, Ernie Blake, Bob Hanna, Ken Weglarz, and Peter Whitten.

The second new truck is a 1973 Dodge forest fire truck, which was acquired through the State. The Brimfield firefighters completely refurbished the body of the truck as well as many mechanical repairs being done. This truck carries 350 gallons of water, and has a 250 gallon per minute pump.

In closing, I would like to thank all of the townspeople who have supported this department in the past. I would also like to thank the Brimfield Police, Highway and Ambulance Departments for their help through the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael L. Wales, Fire Chief



# Brimfield Fire Department

## Salaries (yearly)

Fire Chief - Michael L. Wales	\$ 350.00
Asst Chief - Kenneth Weglarz	100.00
Captain - Peter Whitten	75.00
Lieutenant - Thomas Brown	50.00
Secretary - Donna Hellyar	75.00

## Wages (yearly)

Paul Blanchard	14.33
David Branchaud	43.01
Bill Chapin	54.04
Joe Collette	48.53
Linda Collette	39.70
John Cox	78.31
Ron Cox	69.48
Ward Cox	20.95
Steve Denning	31.98
Sue Dugay	18.75
Donna Hellyar	40.81
John Hilker	69.48
Joe Hopkins	11.03
Steve Modugno	44.12
Rick Phifer	20.95
Steve Phifer	24.26
John Sherris	33.09
Steve Shacclumis	35.29
Sue Sutherland	51.84
Ed Warren	37.50
Larry Wemyss	6.61
Shirley Worth	28.67

## Flea Market Wages

M. Wales	\$ 56.00
K. Weglarz	441.00
P. Whitten	294.00
T. Brown	84.00
D. Branchaud	196.00
B. Chapin	140.00
J. Collette	213.50
J. Cox	119.00
R. Cox	28.00
S. Dugay	133.00
J. Hopkins	112.00
S. Modugno	140.00
J. Sherris	28.00
S. Shacclumis	273.00
E. Warren	66.50
S. Worth	178.50
P. Moran	56.00
R. Ostiguy, Jr.	56.00



BOARD OF HEALTH  
ANNUAL REPORT (amended)

The Board of Selectmen have had a new well constructed to serve the Town Hall, Library and Town Barn. Because the quality of water provided by this well does not meet the standards required for drinking water, the water provided to the Town Hall, Library and Town Barn are not approved for human consumption. The water will continue to be tested and when it meets the states' standards, the Ban will be removed.

The difficulty of enforcing the State Sanitary Code as it applies to the several Antiquè Markets, which are held in Brimfield each year, continues to be a matter of great importance to the Board.

Curbside pickup of household rubbish continues to be a successful operation in the town of Brimfield. As of July 1, 1986, the Board of Selectmen will be responsible for administering the contract for this service. The contract excludes pickup from commercial establishments, manufacturing companies, motels, schools, restaurants and campgrounds. Rubbish does not include stumps, trees, leaves, brush, household furniture or appliances. Arrangements for the pickup of these items will be provided by the Contractor, through special notification by the individuals who shall have need for such service and such service shall not be included within a contract and the Contractor shall seek payment for such service directly from and at the expense of these individual householders. Any Contractor liscensed to pidkup up rubbish in the Town of Brimfield may do so.

Effective in 1986, the periods during which Perc Tests will be permitted are all of April and May, and September 15 to November 15 only. The fees for various liscenses are as follows;

Disposal Works Installers Permit	\$25.00
Application for Disposal Works	
Construction Permit	\$25.00
Common Victiculars Liscense	\$20.00
Recreational Camp...Cabins-	
Motels-Trailor Coach Parks	\$15.00
Removal, Transport and Dis-	
posal of garbage, offal or	
other offensive substances	\$15.00

BOARD OF HEALTH

ANNUAL REPORT (amended) (continued)

The Board would once again like to take this opportunity to advise the Townspeople that the first step to be taken by anyone contemplating the building of a new dwelling or other new building where toilet facilities are required by law, is to have a percolation test performed by a Licensed Engineer or Sanitarian before obtaining a building permit. The percolation test is to be observed and approved by Lyman Stanton, Agent for the Board of Health. Repairs to existing septic systems must also be performed under the direction of Mr. Stanton. (telephone number 245-9804).

The Board of Health invites interested Townspeople to attend their regularly scheduled meetings on the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

*Clayton L. Thomas*

Clayton L. Thomas, M.D. Chairman  
Edward J. Killian  
Larry Lowenthal



## TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
ROUTE 19 • BRIMFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS 01010

### REPORT OF HIGHWAY DEPT. JULY 1984-JUNE 1985

THE MAJOR EXPENDITURES BY THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FOR THIS TIME PERIOD WAS FOR TYPE I PAVING.

WARREN ROAD, 3,696 FEET AT A COST OF \$25,950

WARREN-STURBRIDGE ROAD, 2,640 FEET AT A COST OF \$23,738

BROOKFIELD ROAD - ONE MILE AT A COST OF \$35,823

TWO DRAINAGE PROJECTS WERE COMPLETED, ONE ON AGARD ROAD, AND ONE ON BROOKFIELD ROAD.

FOR THE MOST PART OUR WORK IS A REPETITION FROM YEAR TO YEAR. THIS INCLUDES SUCH THINGS AS PATCHING, GRADING OF GRAVEL ROADS, ROADSIDE MOWING, BRUSH CUTTING, PLOWING, SANDING, CLEANING CATCH BASINS AND ANY OTHER TYPE OF WORK THAT WILL KEEP OUR ROADS AS GOOD AS POSSIBLE WITH THE FUNDS WE HAVE AVAILABLE.

*Respectfully*  
*John L. Sherman*





BRIMFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY  
COLONIAL PARK RT. 20  
Brimfield, Ma. 01010

Brim. 887-1

Equal Housing Opportunity

## YEARLY REPORT OF THE BRIMFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY

The structure of the Housing Authority for the past fiscal <sup>YEAR</sup>/was as follows:

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Lewellyn Norton, term expires 1990  
VICE CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Grace Stuart, term expires 1989  
TREASURER: Mrs. Nancy Prescott, term expires 1986  
ASST. TREASURER: Mr. Clarence Keith, term expires 1988  
STATE APPOINTEE: Mrs. Alice Adams, term expires 1986

The Tenants Association officers are as follows:

President: Mrs. Lucy Hanna, Vice President: Mrs. Helen Phillips  
Secretary: Mrs. Marion Willard, Treasurer: Mr. Michael Sullivan. . . .  
The Association is very active in the beautification of the complex, planting flowers in the beds outside the apartments. It sponsors monthly meetings at which the birthdays of tenants born that month are celebrated with a cake and other refreshments.

During the past year Colonial Park has had 3 vacancies which have been filled and a waiting list of 9 remains.

BRIMFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY  
LOUIS H. LAVOIE  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**BRIMFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010

Circulation: 11254  
Attendance: 5734

Interlibrary Loans: 295  
Total Holdings: 13030

During Fiscal Year 1985 the library has expanded its services to the community. We now circulate audiocassettes and videocassettes at no cost to the patron or to the town. Children's programming has been enhanced and our collection continues to grow. Borrowers' response has been enthusiastic and positive.

Generous donors and committed volunteers have made it possible for us to introduce new programs and new formats and to continue developing our in-house collection. Our on-going relationship with the Central Massachusetts Regional Library System allows our patrons access to materials we would otherwise be unable to furnish.

The rewiring of the eighty-year-old building is nearly completed. A new furnace has been installed. The slate roof has been repaired, and two historic oil paintings have been restored. Unfortunately our water system still does not meet State requirements.

The Sherman Historical Room is open to the public during all regular library hours and on Wednesdays is ably staffed by Miss Helene Lindblad. An Oral History Committee meets there on the third Thursday of each month and is developing a collection of tape-recorded interviews on matters of local interest. Although the library has acquired some of the materials necessary for the de-acidification of our historical documents, there have not been funds for staff time to begin this task.

To make up for our diminished purchasing power, we have gratefully accepted many hours of volunteer assistance, as well as gifts of money and materials. Through careful planning, and with the help of a host of friends, new and expanded services are now available to the younger members of the community. Films, craft programs, story hours, class visits, puppet shows, a summer reading club, and special holiday programs are some of the activities offered. A complete set of Reading Rainbow books and a large number of paperback books for young adults are recent acquisitions. We serve our youngest patrons with pleasure and concern.

The adult fiction collection has been especially commended. The library delivers books to institutions and to homebound individuals. It has a selection of large print books for the visually handicapped. It answers reference questions, helps with research, and borrows for its patrons those titles which it cannot provide from its own shelves.

Our faithful and dedicated staff gives many extra hours each week. The Board of Library Trustees has been helpful and supportive. We all look forward to Fiscal Year 1986 with expectations of continued improvement in services and facilities.

The library hours are: Monday 6:00 to 9:00; Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday 2:00 to 5:00. The telephone number is 245-3518. There is a bookslot in the door and books may be renewed by telephone. We welcome comments and suggestions. Please let us know how we can serve you better.

With gratitude and appreciation, this report is dedicated to our friends and benefactors.

Salaries:	E. Beaumont	\$ 22.75	J. Irvine	\$299.00	S. Morris	\$2210.00
	S. Clifton	1263.57	H. Lindblad	468.00	B. Robertson	963.60
			J. Smith	304.86		



TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
01010

PARKING VIOLATION  
MAGISTRATE

Patricia M. White

REPORT OF THE PARKING MAGISTRATE

In July of 1984 I took over this position and have continued to work hand in hand with the Computer Emporium, a Data Processing firm in Newburyport, Massachusetts, who was contracted in 1983 to handle collection of parking fines.

There has been a problem in the past of collecting fines from out of state. My plan for this upcoming flea market season is to have office hours and see if we can collect some of these fines before they leave town.

July 1984	33 tickets issued representing:-
	\$ 495.00
Sept. 1984	32 tickets issued representing:-
	\$ 480.00
May 1985	55 tickets issued representing:-
	<u>\$ 825.00</u>
	\$1,800.00

It has been a pleasure serving the Town of Brimfield and I hope to continue to serve for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

*Patricia M. White*

Patricia M. White

Salary: None



## Report of the Planning Board

The Planning Board meets regularly on the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall. All interested townspeople are invited to attend. We welcome input from residents regarding the zoning by-laws and the future growth of the Town.

All subdivision survey plans properly submitted during the year were approved by the Board.

For approval of subdivision plans not requiring the action of the entire Planning Board (adequate frontage on an existing Town road and adequate acreage), you may contact Dennis McCurdy at his office in Sturbridge between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Please call 347-9343 for an appointment. All other plans should be presented to the entire Planning Board at a regularly scheduled meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Killian, Chair  
David Killian  
Dennis McCurdy  
Susan Sutherland  
Beth St.Clair, Secretary

Salaries -- none

## REC REPORT

First, I would like to thank all the hardworking coaches, diligent officials, devoted team managers and dedicated Recreation Committee members who have worked so hard as volunteers to provide a recreation program for the youth of Brimfield.

The Recreation Committee sponsors programs in baseball, basketball, soccer and swimming for over 100 children during each season. To provide these programs, we have a dedicated group of volunteers. In order to maintain and expand these programs, we need more volunteers. Won't you help by becoming a coach, assistant coach, team manager, official, scorekeeper or help maintain and develop facilities?

In addition to the above, we have had to earn more than half the necessary operating funds by conducting bake sales, the raffle and picking trash. A special thanks to all who donated prizes to the raffle and to J & J Promotions for hiring children of the recreation program to pick trash after the flea markets and then making a donation to the program. Without this income, some of our programs would have to be curtailed.

Finally, if you have any suggestions on ways to improve the program, drop us a note or come to our meetings. The meetings are held on the first Monday of the month at the Hitchcock Academy at 7:15 p.m.

On behalf of the children of Brimfield, I invite you to watch them play soccer every Saturday morning at the Tantasqua fields and then to enjoy watching them participate on the basketball court and baseball diamonds.

We thank you for your anticipated support!

Fred Kozyra, Chairman

During the BASEBALL SEASON we fielded eight teams comprised of 110 children. T-Ball, which is the instructional level, had lots of fun playing against teams from Sturbridge, Holland and Brookfield.

The 8-10 and 10-12 year old children played 18 games in the Palmer League with great success. The Babe Ruth team (12-14 year olds) was entered in the Scantic Valley League for the first time and placed second in their division.

We would like to thank all the volunteer coaches, umpires and parents whose support made this season such a success.

Ray Ciesluk, Baseball Director

We have 100 children playing SOCCER this fall from Brimfield comprising six teams, one Bantom (7-8 year olds), three Freshmen (9-10 year olds), one sophomore (11-12 year olds), and one Junior (13-14 year olds). Enthusiasm is running high among the players. Let's all support the teams and hopefully get an even larger parent turnout for the Saturday morning games at Tantasqua.

John Miller, Soccer Director

This past summer saw 63 children enrolled in our SWIM PROGRAM held at the Holland Pond Recreational Area. For the first time we received use of the Mishnoah Girls' Camp raft for diving practice. We were pleased that two of the children received their Swimmer Certificates. Finding a Red Cross Certified Water Safety Instructor who will teach our classes for the budgeted compensation fee is becoming increasingly difficult. If you know of any one who may be interested for next summer, please let the Rec know.

Jane Clay, Swim Program Director

BASKETBALL in Brimfield is an ever growing program. Last year we had 140 elementary and Jr. High School children participate. This year we anticipate expanding the Four-Town League to include 9-12th graders dependent upon coaching and referee staff. The use of the Senior High Gym has already been approved by Mr. Dube, Athletic Director at Tantasqua. We are eagerly awaiting the start of another funfilled, successful season.

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Basketball sign-ups will be held in early November. A notice will be coming home through the respective school systems. PLEASE CHECK YOUR NOTICES AND LOOK FOR IT! Because of the expanded program we are in need of coaches and referees. If you are interested and have alot or a limited amount of time to donate either on weekdays or Saturday mornings, please call me at 245-9293.

Ron Hevey, Basketball Director

PLEASE REMEMBER:

1. If you have a problem with transporting your child to or from practices and games, please look into a carpool with other parents. Coaches are not responsible for transportation and should only to asked in an emergency situation.
2. New Policy on Sign-ups -- in order to avoid unbalanced teams, following signups there will be a one-week only grace period in which to contact the League Director to have your child placed on a team. Once teams have been established, only students new to Brimfield will be added.
3. We are still having a problem collecting UNIFORMS and have been looking into new procedures such as requiring a deposit on the uniform at registration to be refunded to the parent when the uniform is turned in. Another alternative is purchase of individual shirts by parents at registration. The child would then own his/her T-Shirt and would have a memento of playing on the team. If you should have any part of a uniform at your home, (Please SEARCH CLOSETS AND DRAWERS) they may be dropped off with any Rec Committee member or at Dr. Clay's office on Main Street during office hours.
4. Your kids are only young once, try to find the time to make at least one of their games and see how happy you make them. Or better yet, GET INVOLVED and see the difference it will make in your child's life.

Recreation Committee Members:

Marilyn & Fred Kozyra  
Lynn & Ken Lacey  
Robin & Warren Bren  
Diane & Ron Heagney  
Elaine & Ron Hevey  
Gnilla & Ray Ciesluk  
Karen & Bob Bergstrom  
Jane & Tom Clay  
John Miller





**TOWN OF BRIMFIELD**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**  
**Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010**

**REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

The Board received an application from Ronald Tetreault for a special permit to sell automobiles in a business zone on the north side of Route 20, west of Lower Dunhamtown Road. The Board granted Mr. Tetreault a special permit with safeguards and conditions to protect neighboring abutters, after a public hearing was held.

Applications for hearings are available at the office of the Town Clerk.

The Board has only three powers:

1. To hear appeals from decisions of the Zoning Officer.
2. To grant special permits for uses specially permissible by the Zoning By-laws.
3. To grant variances to qualified applicants under the conditions of the Zoning By-laws. Under our laws, use variances are not allowed, only dimensional variances.

The Board has no employees, but contracts for addressing, mailing and stenographic services. Salaries of Board members are zero.

Respectfully submitted,

George C. Gross, Chairman

MORRILL & LAMARINE, P.C.  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW

39 ELM STREET

P. O. BOX 39

SOUTHBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 01550

TELEPHONE AREA 617

764-3203

764-3204

March 28, 1986

FOR THE ANNUAL REPORT:

In addition to the legal opinions given at the request of the Board of Selectmen and the various boards and officials of the Town, there were final resolutions of several cases pending.

The long-standing cases against Commonwealth Appraisal Co. were finally disposed of to the full satisfaction of the Town. These cases involved the failure of the appraisal company to perform its valuation of the Town after being paid in full for its services, and the retention of Assessors' records which had to be reproduced.

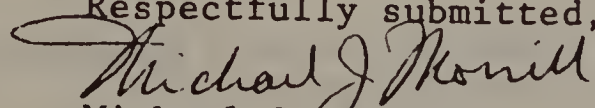
The Town, during September and October, brought a law suit to restrain the Mobil Oil Pipeline Co. and Vegetation Control Service, Inc. from use a defoliant to control vegetation along the pipeline right of way. A temporary restraining order issued from the Hampden Superior Court.

There is still pending the case of Wieczorek v. Town of Brimfield, a law suit which seeks to recover damages for personal injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident.

As usual, many of the opinions requested of the Town Attorney arose out of the conduct of the flea markets.

The Special By-Laws Review Committee has prepared its final report.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael J. Morrill  
Town Counsel

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## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

### School Committee

Harry A. Peters	Term expires 1987
James B. Powers	Term expires 1988
Frances Tetreault (Mrs.)	Term expires 1986

### Superintendent of Schools

Roland W. Wilson	Brookfield Road, Sturbridge	347-9014
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### School Nurse

Pamela Gentile, R.N.	Holland	245-9855
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### No School Signal

Information will be broadcast over Stations WTAG, WARE, WESO, and WTIC between 6:30 a.m. and 7:30 a.m.

Transportation of pupils is provided both to the elementary school and high schools by the school committee of each town's elementary school. The decision as to whether it is safe or feasible for buses to run to the high schools is made by the Superintendent of Schools.

### School Committee Meetings

The fourth Tuesday of the month throughout the year at 7:30 p.m. at the elementary school.

### Entrance Age of Pupils to Kindergarten

Five years of age on or before the first of January following the opening of school in September.



TANTASQUA & UNION #61 SCHOOL DISTRICTS

1985-86 SCHOOL CALENDAR

September						February					
M	T	W	TH	F		M	T	W	TH	F	
		4	5	6		3	4	5	6	7	
9	10	11	12	13	(19)	10	11	12	13	14	(15)
16	17	18	19	20		--	--	--	--	--	
23	24	25	26	27		24	25	26	27	28	
30											
October						March					
	1	2	3	4		3	4	5	6	7	
7	8	9	10	11		10	11	12	13	14	(20)
--	15	16	17	18	(22)	17	18	19	20	21	
21	22	23	24	25		24	25	26	27	--	
28	29	30	31			31					
November						April					
				1			1	2	3	4	
4	5	6	7	8	(18)	7	8	9	10	11	(17)
--	12	13	14	15		14	15	16	17	18	
18	19	20	21	22		--	--	--	--	--	
25	26	27*	--	--		28	29	30			
December						May					
2	3	4	5	6					1	2	
9	10	11	12	13	(15)	5	6	7	8	9	(21)
16	17	18	19	20		12	13	14	15	16	
						19	20	21	22	23	
						--	27	28	29	30	
January						June					
			2	3		2	3	4	5	6	
6	7	8	9	10	(21)	9	10	11	12	13	(19)
13	14	15	16	17		16	17	18	19	20	
--	21	22	23	24		23	24	25	26		
27	28	29	30	31							

187 days

\* 1/2 Day

September 3 - Opening Workshop

September 4 - First Full Day of School

SCHOOL DIRECTORY 1984-85

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DEGREE</u>	<u>YRS. SERV. BRIMFIELD</u>	<u>TOTAL SERVICE</u>
Superintendent	Roland W. Wilson	B.S., M. Ed., Worc. State	18	30
Assistant Superintendent	Paul C. Gagliarducci	Ed.D., Univ. of Mass. M.Ed., CAGS, Springfield College B.A., Fitchburg State	0	16
Assistant Superintendent Business & Finance	William J. Utess	B.S., M.B.A., American Int. Coll.	16	16
Principal	John Gannon	B.S., M.A., Worcester State	5	19
Kindergarten	Denise Ducasse	B.A., Anna Maria College	3	9
Grade 1	Constance Thompson	B.S., Madison College	1	7
Grade 1	Frances Souliere	B.A., M.A., Coll. of Lady of Elms	26	31
Grade 2	Carol Mimeault	B.A., Univ. of Mass.	15	15
Grade 2	Susan Bernard	B.S., Worcester State	8	8
Grade 3	Adrienne Bencivenni	B.S., Russell Sage College/Troy, NY	2	15
Grade 3	Anne Dupont	B.A., Northwestern Univ. M.A., Worcester State	16	16
Grade 4	Donna Weaver	B.S., Westfield State	5	6
Grade 4	Chris Schell	BBA, Univ. of Mass. M.A., Worcester State	15	16
Grade 5	Elizabeth Ahern	B.S., Westfield State	20	20
Grade 6	Martha Blanchette	B.S., Westfield State	1	6
Grade 6	Christine Monroe	B.S., Westfield State	1	6
Music (Vocal & Instrumental)	Judith Smith	B.M., Barrington College	7	8

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DEGREE</u>	<u>YRS. SERV. BRIMFIELD</u>	<u>TOTAL SERVICE</u>
Remedial Reading	Catherine Haley	B.A., Univ. of Mass. M.Ed., American Int. College	3	26
Art	Debra Gajewski	B.S., Worcester State	1	1
Psychologist	Jeanne Peloquin	B.A., M.A., CAGS Assumption College	1	4
Physical Education	Mark Muska	B.S., Springfield College	1	1
Speech Therapist	Elizabeth Charron	B.S., Worcester State	5	7
Mod. Special Needs	Paul Szolusha	B.A., Purdue University	7	7
Mod. Special Needs	Ethlyn Dorrington	B.A., Boston College	6	6



REPORT OF THE  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The school committee continues to be challenged by the conflict between its desire and obligation to provide the opportunity for a quality education for all the children of Brimfield and the financial cost of doing so. Financial limitations continued to have serious impact on Brimfield Elementary school during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1985 and on the budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 1986. The financial challenge is complicated by conflicting state laws which require the town to pay for the cost of "special needs" education thru the elementary school budget without limiting those costs at the same time that other state laws limit the total amount of income the town can raise by taxation.

The budget for fiscal 1986 is \$730,762, an increase of \$50,161 or 7.4% over the amount appropriated for the prior year. Most of the increase is for salaries of the teaching staff. Unexpected changes in pupil enrollment, staff resignations, or a change of even one special needs student can have a major impact on the school committee's ability to carry out the budget as planned.

The school committee has received no additional notification about the state Department of Education suit against the school committee seeking payment of certain special needs costs for a non-resident child. These costs were projected at an annual rate of \$33,000 and were retroactive to January 1983. The school committee, based on legal advice, maintains its belief that Brimfield is not financially responsible for these costs. There is nothing in the budget for these costs. Obviously, paying these costs would have a severe impact on the school budget.

As we face the future challenges of providing Brimfield children with quality educational opportunities within the financial restrictions imposed, we are encouraged by the positive response of people such as those volunteers who enable us to keep the school library open and all the other people whose continuing conscientious and dedicated efforts help to provide an education for the children of Brimfield. These people include Superintendent Roland Wilson and his staff, our principal John Gannon and our teaching staff, our teacher aides and learning disability tutors, Mrs. Alma Howlett and her cafeteria staff, our custodial staff, Richard Souliere and his bus drivers, and the Friends of Brimfield Elementary school members and supporters. The committee appreciates the support shown by each of these people and by all of the people of Brimfield.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harry Peters, Chairman  
James B. Powers, Secretary  
Frances Tetreault, Tantasqua  
Representative

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1984

<u>Grade</u>	<u>K</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Sp. Ed.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Elementary	36	25	38	46	30	28	37	3	243

<u>Grade</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>PG</u>	
Tantasqua Junior	38	40	40					118
Tantasqua Senior				27	31	30		88
Tantasqua Vocational			4	4	4	4		<u>16</u>
TOTAL ENROLLMENT								465

FINANCIAL SHEET FOR 1984-1985

School Appropriations July 1984 - June 1985

\$680,601.00

Expenditures:Administration:

School committee	2,675.97
Superintendent's Office	14,538.30

Instruction:

Principal's Salary	30,403.94
Clerical Salary	10,861.00
Principal's Office-Other Expenses	1,545.16
Teachers' Salaries	266,588.00
Substitute Teachers	3,825.00
Teacher Aides - Salaries	5,523.59
Supplies & Materials	16,267.89
Personnel Training & Travel	366.99
In-Service Training & Travel	400.00
Special Education Salaries (Perceptually Handicapped & Speech)	47,285.05
Textbooks	1,848.20
Library Services	336.78
Audio Visual	905.51
Guidance Services - Salaries	8,782.25
Supplies & Materials-Testing & Speech	2,495.44
Psychological Services	368.20

  
Other School Services:

Attendance	50.00
Health Services	7,206.63



Other School Services: (Continued)

Pupil Transportation	93,433.78
Late Bus Transportation	2,640.51
Special Education Transportation	23,698.36
Food Services	1,000.00
Field Trips	1,160.00

Operation & Maintenance of Plant:

Custodial Salaries - School	34,134.72
Supplies & Materials	6,179.00
Fuel	13,804.95
Gas	671.51
Utilities - Adm. Off.	279.67
Utilities - School	18,001.69
Maintenance of Grounds	1,221.94
Maintenance of Building	8,601.34
Maintenance of Equipment - Adm. Off.	447.69
Maintenance of Equipment - School	4,180.27

Acquisition of Fixed Assets:

New Equipment - School	-0-
New Equipment - Library	3,506.32
Replacement of Equipment - Adm. Off.	203.81
Replacement of Equipment - School	-0-

Programs with Other Districts: Regional  
and Private Schools

Special Education Tuition	37,370.61
Vocational Tuition & Transportation	3,943.00

Total Appropriations Expenditures July 1984 - June 1985

\$676,753.07

Estimated State Reimbursements:

Chapter 70	\$264,853.00
Chapter 71	86,744.00
Chapter 76	4,633.00
Residential School Tuition	<u>5,254.00</u>
Total Estimated Reimbursements	\$361,484.00

Total Expenditures	\$676,653.07
Less Estimated Reimbursements	<u>361,484.00</u>
Cost to Taxpayer	\$315,169.07

1985-1986 Budget

Administration	\$ 18,349.00
Instruction	436,872.00
Other School Services	130,173.00
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	99,823.00
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	4,588.00
Programs with Other Districts, Regional & Private School	<u>40,957.00</u>
Total 1985-1986 Appropriation	\$730,762.00
*(Special Needs Program included in Budget)	
2000 Instruction	\$ 52,500.00
1000,3000,4000 Series	32,221.00
9000 Programs with other Districts	<u>33,352.00</u>
	\$118,073.00

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT  
1984-85

The year 1984-85 was characterized by changes and progress in education at Brimfield Elementary School.

The changes came in the area of personnel. The beginning of the school year saw the resignation of Mr. Peter Smith. Mr. Smith, an excellent teacher, had given the children of Brimfield many years of knowledge and understanding. Mr. Smith, was replaced by Mrs. Martha Blanchette. The end of the year saw the resignation of Mr. Mark Muska. Mr. Muska, a physical education teacher, like Mr. Smith sought employment outside of education. Both of these gentlemen will be missed at Brimfield Elementary School.

One of the areas of progress at Brimfield Elementary School has to focus on the services offered to gifted and talented children. Project Gold (Gateway of Learning & Discovery) was initiated after two years of research and staff development. I would like to thank the GOLD Committee composed of Mrs. Carole Mimeault, Miss Judy Smith, Mr. Peter Smith, Mrs. Elizabeth Dickinson, Mrs. Christine Monroe, Miss Jeanne Peloquin and Mrs. Catherine Haley for their guidance and hard work. Mrs. Mimeault and Mrs. Haley completed the first year as teachers of Project Gold. The end product of Project Gold was a newspaper The Golden Times published by the Project Gold students.

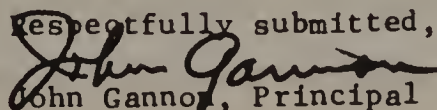
The 1984-85 saw an increase in the cultural programs offered to the children. Third grade teachers, Mrs. Dupont and Mrs. Bencivenni received training at the Springfield Science Museum. They developed a science unit on dinosaurs for third graders. This was the result of a Cultural Resources Grant received by Brimfield Elementary School. Similarly, Mrs. Ahern, a fifth grade teacher, participated in a writing skills grant received in conjunction with Old Sturbridge Village. Our goal is to receive cultural resource monies at each grade level.

Another area of progress was computers. The school received three Apple IIe computers. Teachers participated in some training, but it was obvious more training and commitment was necessary to make sure all students gain literacy.

In the area of maintenance, the school completed its window installation program. The ceilings were dropped in two of the classrooms in the older building. A carpet was placed in one of the classrooms. All of these add to the cosmetics of the learning areas and should make the school more energy efficient.

This year also saw the retirement of Mr. George Moran. Mr. Moran, had been Head Custodial, at Brimfield Elementary School for twelve years. His guidance and experience will be sorely missed. George's contributions would be difficult to list in this space. George was replaced by Mr. Raymond Hebert.

Finally, I would like to end by thanking a dedicated and hard working staff for their goal to provide quality education to the children of Brimfield. I would also like to thank the School Committee and Mr. Roland Wilson, Superintendent of Schools, for their guidance and confidence. By working together we are achieving excellence in Brimfield.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
John Gannon, Principal



## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

As we enter the second half of the decade; legislation supporting educational reform, studies, and warnings signal a growing concern for education in our nation's schools. Educational incentive grants (EEOG - Equal Education Opportunity Grants), Professional Development, and Horace Mann Grants are all designed to improve education by improving teaching within our schools. Money is seen as necessary to increase teachers' salaries, provide additional funds for instruction, promote programs for the gifted, provide incentive grants for exemplary service, and provide for training of administrators. The irony of this movement is that most school systems prior to proposition 2½ included the majority of these items and programs in their annual school budget. Somehow the feeling is that we must send our money to the state, and then have them return part of it to us so that we may benefit from it.

State mandates for basic skills testing, assessing of students in curriculum areas, evaluating teachers and administrators are now mandated by the state. First, we are told the amount we can spend by state mandate. Now we are told who to test and what areas of the curriculum to test with computers determining our standards for comparison. Individual initiative and academic freedom seem to have disappeared. We are part of the mass for education, evaluation, and classification.

In spite of these external legislative requirements and the innumerable surveys prophesying doom for American schools, our schools continue to move forward with many new educational programs.

In October, Tantasqua Senior High completed its year of self-evaluation and was evaluated by a committee of educators from New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. We await this report with its commendations

and recommendations and a recommendation for our continued accreditation. Mr. Francis Simanski, Principal of Tantasqua Regional Senior High, Mr. Roger Charette, Chairman of the Self-Evaluation Team, as well as all staff members deserve praise for their planning and preparation for our evaluation.

At Tantasqua Junior High, a new re-organization plan has moved the staff and the school on an aggressive course. Students needs are more accurately assessed and met. Teacher initiative abounds. Supervision is more effective and staff morale is high.

Also at Tantasqua Junior High, our writing program continues to grow and expand. Students are tutored in writing by a teacher trained in composition. This concentration together with the composition taught in the regular classroom is designed to solidify our writing program.

Brookfield Elementary is currently studying curriculum in the areas of writing, language and mathematics. A consultant in writing is scheduled to conduct workshops in writing for the entire staff. Brookfield continues to move forward in curriculum areas.

Holland has also addressed many curriculum areas during the last year. First, the reading program has been reviewed carefully. Monthly meetings have been scheduled with the teachers to discuss the progress of children with whom they work.

Second, with funding from the Cultural Resources Program, fifth grade students will explore new techniques, activities, and resources that strengthen student observation, imagination, and writing skills. Third, in science, second grade students will receive information on the biology and behavior of animals. This program with animals supplements the science curriculum of Holland Elementary School.

At Sturbridge Elementary, computer curriculum and science curriculum are the focus. In September, a faculty science study sub-committee reviewed available science programs and recommended the adoption of a new science curriculum for grades kindergarten to sixth grade. In computers, three Commonwealth In-Service grants were used to train teachers in the use of computers. Each class at Burgess now receives formal instruction in computer awareness every other week. During alternate weeks, computers are used in the individual classrooms to support curriculum areas.

Students and faculty at Wales Elementary celebrated National Book Week together: teachers read favorite stories to the children, older children read to younger children, childrens art work was displayed, central office administrators read to children, and teachers dressed as storybook characters of the past. The excitement of reading was heightened.

School projects at Wales have enriched the student's educational experience. Through a grant, the school enjoyed a performance by the Opera Express from Hartford. Trips to the science museum, the Aquarium in Boston and a school wide trip to Springfield were highlights of the year. In the spring, another school wide event will be a Young Author's Conference when children will create their own book and be celebrated as authors in their own right.

Brimfield's efforts in curriculum included work in a program for the gifted, the development of a transitional class and the development of the school based computer awareness program. Project Gold, the gifted program, is an after school program providing instruction for gifted students outside of the regular school day. In computers, teachers have received computer instruction and through the support of the staff programs are now reaching children at Brimfield Elementary School.



Our very popular curriculum effort at Cape Cod was relocated to Stone Environmental Center, Saco, Maine for next year. This change was mandated by the loss of the Cape Cod sites by right of eminent domain resulting in the closing of the Cape Cod Education Center.

Curriculum, plant maintenance, educational reform, and school funding are the important issues for our schools. Additional state funding is necessary to support our continued efforts in all areas. We must search vigorously for federal grant funds to supplement our programs in the future.

Finally, I must with regret report the retirement of William J. Utess, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance. Bill Utess is a man of many talents who for the past 18 years has dedicated his efforts and talents to our business affairs in Tantasqua and Union #61. We are all grateful for his efforts, his dedication, and his loyalty. We wish him a long and healthy retirement.

In conclusion, my thanks for the support of the community, the School Committees, the administration, and the staff during the past year. We have made significant strides due to your effort.

Respectfully submitted,

Roland W. Wilson  
Superintendent of Schools

# TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

## Teaching Staff Salaries 1985-1986

### Principal

John Gannon	32,819.00
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### Teachers

Elizabeth Ahern	20,989.68
M. Adrienne Bencivenni	20,449.68
Martha Blanchette	17,827.83
Denise Ducasse	17,633.01
Anne Dupont	21,872.15
Debra Gajewski (Art - Shared)	5,927.27
Catherine Haley	22,152.15
Judith Healy	17,913.91
Carole Mimeault	21,932.15
Christine Monroe	17,887.83
Chris Schell	21,572.15
Judith Smith (Instr. & Vocal Music-Shared)	11,984.60
Frances Souliere	22,854.58
Constance Thompson	16,658.83
Donna Weaver	18,802.06
Phyllis Whitin	16,466.84
Kelly Woodard (Phys Ed. - Shared)	8,657.08

### Speech Therapist

Elizabeth Charron	9,923.28
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### Guidance

Julie Gittins	4,400.99
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### Moderate Special Needs

Ethlyn Dorrington	18,307.83
Paul Szolusha	19,506.55

### Nurse

Pamela Gentile	6,195.90
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### Principal's Office

Joan Erban	11,528.47
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### Library Aide

Bronwyn Robertson	4.00 hr.
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### Teacher Aide

Beverly Phifer	4.00 hr.
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### Special Needs Aide

Shirley Brown	6.50 hr.
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### Custodians

Raymond Hebert	6.00 hr.
George Stanton	5.55 hr.
Roger Underwood	5.60 hr.

**Report of the Tax Collector for the period 11/1/1984 to 6/30/1985**

	Balance 11/1/84	Committment 11/1/84- 6/30/85	Paid To Treasurer	Abatements	Refunds	Balance 6/30/85
<b>Real Estate</b>						
1979	32.34					32.34
1980	2.46					2.46
1981	6070.08		342.83			5727.25
1982	20705.74		771.66			19934.08
1983	38685.75		10106.45	879.42	64.12	27764.00
1984	153730.25		77850.72	6901.76	5892.56	74870.33
1985		1084853.02	319909.09	10122.47	275.41	755096.87
<b>Motor Vehicle</b>						
1975	108.62					108.62
1976	310.36					310.36
1977	1095.93					1095.93
1978	6300.45			19.80		6280.65
1979	4951.86		27.23			4924.63
1980	1994.48		99.00			1895.48
1981	1285.24		180.27			1104.97
1982	1895.43		618.94	7.50		1268.99
1983	3785.85		1476.54	388.10	331.47	2252.68
1984	18383.14	5538.47	19193.06	1511.44	1165.24	4382.35
1985		59238.91	40385.22	2382.64	720.94	17191.99
<b>Personal Property</b>						
1976	23.76					23.76
1978	464.61					464.61
1979	673.79		21.42			652.37
1980	1797.51					1797.51
1981	3921.92					3921.92
1982	1693.01					1693.01
1983	3322.99		134.44			3188.55
1984	5211.22	5299.69	5479.03	112.91	40.04	4959.01
<b>Farm Excise</b>						
1976	102.00					102.00
1977	153.20					153.20
1978	163.60					163.60
1980	252.00					252.00
1981	167.30					167.30
1983	60.00		11.50			48.50
	277344.89	1154930.09	476607.40	22326.04	8489.78	941831.32



**Report of the Tax Collector for the period 7/1/1985 to 12/31/1985**

	Balance 7/1/85	Commitment 7/1/85- 12/31/85	Paid To Treasurer	Abatements	Refunds	Balance 12/31/85
<b>Real Estate</b>						
1979	32.34					32.34
1980	2.46					2.46
1981	5727.25		602.11			5125.14
1982	19934.08		1436.44	404.87	133.74	18226.51
1983	27764.00		4941.57	1.98		22820.45
1984	74870.33		19252.74	2370.88	1438.74	54685.45
1985	755096.87	22960.52	622462.21	16134.20	7389.95	146850.93
<b>Motor Vehicle</b>						
1975	108.62					108.62
1976	310.36					310.36
1977	1095.93					1095.93
1978	6280.65		29.70			6250.95
1979	4924.63		59.40			4865.23
1980	1895.48		82.51			1812.97
1981	1104.97		12.50			1092.47
1982	1268.99		13.75	10.00		1245.24
1983	2252.68		43.74	27.50		2181.44
1984	4382.35	150.50	749.85	70.63	7.50	3719.87
1985	17191.99	26086.50	29256.41	2145.22	886.01	12762.87
<b>Personal Property</b>						
1976	23.76					23.76
1978	464.61					464.61
1979	652.37					652.37
1980	1797.51					1797.51
1981	3921.92					3921.92
1982	1693.01					1693.01
1983	3188.55					3188.55
1984	4959.01		1782.00	65.47		3111.54
<b>Farm Excise</b>						
1976	102.00					102.00
1977	153.20					153.20
1978	163.60					163.60
1980	252.00					252.00
1981	167.30					167.30
1983	48.50					48.50
	941831.32	49197.52	680724.93	21230.75	9855.94	298929.10

Delinquent Tax List  
(Real Estate)

FY 1981

B & C Gravel Company	14.19
Bosley, Jacqueline	.80
Day, Frank J	2.56
Dodge, Shirley	52.49
Dougherty, Matthew	102.40
Gerndt, Ronald & Lorraine	5.12
Marshall, David W.	30.72
Marshall, David W.	64.00
Marshall, David W.	51.20
Marshall, David W.	57.60
Morin, Jeannie	25.80
Maxwell, William c/o Prive	12.80
Ozut, John	83.20
Parnes, Constance	10.60
Pilch, Chester	160.00
Pilch, Chester	657.28
Pilch, Chester	2049.28
Pilch, Chester	6.40
Pilch, Chester	704.00
Sears, Paul c/o Smola & Mortarelli	69.12
Suprenant, John & Mary	466.38
Vacon, Donald J.	153.60

FY 1982

B&C Gravel Co. Inc.	758.45
Benoit, Michelle	361.93
Bowen, Walter c/o Wemyss	355.41
Cavanaugh, Daniel P. & Patricia	390.28
Cortis, Donald Jr. & Lyle R.	7.33
Dougherty, Matthew	5.50
Dougherty, Matthew	5.50
George, Robert	1.83
George, Robert c/o Caouette	97.10
George, Robert c/o Mooney	97.10
George, Robert c/o Missios	131.90
George, Robert c/o Bruegger	29.31
George, Robert c/o Flynn	128.24
George, Beverly c/o Campion	146.56
Hebert, Richard & Versie	252.28
Hicks, Richard & Dorothy Anderson	64.12
Hubbard, Lawrence F.	458.22
Kudla, Walter J.	393.88
Morin, Jeannie M.	10.43
Mullane, James B.	9.37
Mullane, James B.	76.46
Mullane, James B.	282.13
Mullane, James B.	6.27

Murray, Robert H. & Mary L.	359.07
Nicoli, Richard C. & Geraldine	21.75
Ozut, John	163.05
Parnes, Constance	10.25
Phillips c/o Elaine Hayes	1480.26
Pilch, Chester W.	458.48
Pilch, Chester W.	9.16
Pilch, Chester W.	161.22
Pilch, Chester W.	1460.10
Pilch, Chester W.	828.07
Pilch, Chester W.	441.51
Pilch, Chester W.	49.46
Pilch, Chester W.	450.67
Pilch, Chester W.	111.75
Quatrone, Lewis	5.50
Quatrone, Lewis & Agnes L.	276.63
R.L.W. c/o Matthieu	117.25
Segool, James & Arlene	545.94
Segool, James & Arlene	80.61
Segool, James & Arlene	106.26
Stearns, James C.	185.03
Suprenant, John & Mary	40.30
Suprenant, John & Mary	1188.97
Vacon, Donald J. & Dianne L.	12.82
Weglarz, Kenneth M. & Karen A.	562.42
Weston, Stanley & Dorris et al	117.25

#### FY 1983

Barr, Sumner	12.87
Barrett, Bernard A. & Catharine	.20
Benoit, Michele A.	748.43
Brisson, Benoit J.	437.58
Bruso, Gerald A. & Cynthia J.	877.14
Burnham, Walter J. Jr. & Louise V.	21.32
Campion, George H. & Candace A.	79.20
Carassello, Richard & Faith	11.88
Cortis, Donald Jr. & Lyle R.	7.92
Denning, Margaret J.	472.44
Dougherty, Matthew	5.94
Dougherty, Matthew	5.94
Flynn, Kenneth P. & Nancy A.	821.70
Gauthier, Raymond L. & Donna C.	825.66
George, Robert	104.94
George, Robert	104.94
Goddard, William C. & Dorothy K.	528.66
Green, Robert E. & Elena J.	151.06
Hebert, Richard & Versie	326.70
Henry c/o Walter Pleu	56.43
Hicks, Richard N. & Shirley O.	580.14



Hicks, Richard & Dorothy Anderson	69.30
Lavoie, Louis H. & Lorraine I.	93.06
Lavoie, Louis H. & Lorraine I.	700.84
McCarthy, John W. & Veronica	17.82
McIntosh, Diane L. & Walter L.	3.96
McIntosh, Diane L. & Walter L.	5.94
Moran, John D. & Helen M.	746.12
Mullane, Catherine M.	304.92
Mullane, James B.	73.26
Mullane, James B.	69.30
Mullane, James B.	146.52
Mullane, James B.	150.48
Murray, Robert H & Mary L.	388.08
Ozut, John	176.22
Person, Eric	138.60
Phillips c/o Elaine Hayes	1599.84
Pilch, Chester W.	344.52
Pilch, Chester W.	524.70
Pilch, Chester W.	53.46
Pilch, Chester W.	487.08
Pilch, Chester W.	1578.06
Pilch, Chester W.	477.18
Pilch, Chester W.	9.90
Pilch, Chester W.	85.14
Pilch, Chester W.	120.78
Puduski, David H. & Mary A.	195.75
Quatrone, Lewis	5.94
Quatrone, Lewis & Agnes L.	298.98
R.L.W.	126.72
Schoppe, Shirley A.	426.69
Segool, James & Arlene	590.04
Smith, Gregory C. et al	19.70
Snickers, Virginia L.	352.52
Stanton, Ralph I.	22.19
Stearns, James C.	199.98
Suprenant, John & Mary	43.56
Suprenant, John & Mary	1285.02
Topham, Helen C. c/o M. Reil	.24
Vacon, Donald J. & Dianne L.	13.86
Varnum, Steven F. & Beatrice A.	891.00
Wait, Harold c/o J. H. Wait	249.96
Walch, Richard C. & Yvonne M.	4.41
Weglarz, Kenneth M. & Karen A.	314.32
Wemyss, Alexander III & Diana M.	384.12
Weston, Stanley & Dorris et al	102.17
Wieczorek, William J.	220.00
Zak, Anne	978.12

FY 1984

Adams, Adella	626.63
Antonopoulos, David W & Virginia L.	1.00
B. & C. Gravel Co.	898.90
Barr, Wayne & Betty c/o Goffredo	760.76
Batravi, Salah	400.40
Benoit, Michele A.	752.75
Bouffard, Roger S.	499.19
Brisson, Benoit J.	1049.05
Brown, Roy & M. R.	.13
Burati, Robert c/o Renzoni	460.46
Campion, George H. & Candace A.	160.16
Carassello, Richard & Faith	12.01
Cavanaugh, Daniel P. & Patricia A.	136.96
Corbin, Andre A. Jr.	320.72
Cornell, Connie	8.01
Cortis, Donald Jr. & Lyle R.	8.01
Demers, Ronald J. & Gail M.	.06
Denning, Margaret J.	856.86
Di Mauro, Theodore & Harold Matroni	63.97
Di Mauro, Theodore & Harold Matroni	61.82
DiStefano, Salvatore & Edward Keating	70.07
Dolan, Bert F. Jr. & Joyce M.	55.95
Dougherty, Matthew	6.01
Dougherty, Matthew	6.01
Elliott, Linwood	440.44
Flynn, Kenneth P. & Nancy A.	830.83
Gauthier, Raymond L. & Donna C.	834.83
Giotte c/o Michel Bergeron	464.46
Goddard, William C. & Dorothy K.	566.57
Goddard, William C. & Dorothy K.	534.53
Green, Robert E. c/o Gary Matthews	420.42
Hallene, William A. Sr. & Kathleen A.	4.00
Hastings, Jeffery C. & Janet L.	.50
Hebert, Richard & Versie	330.33
Henry c/o Walter Pleu	114.11
Hicks, Richard N. & Shirley O.	586.59
Hopkins, Shirley	108.45
Hopkins, Shirley	3.55
Howe, Warren & Marie c/o R. & N. Pelletier	60.79
Hubbard, Lawrence F.	2.00
Hubbard, Lawrence F.	612.66
Langevin, Edward F. & Irene M.	502.70
Lauckner, Lillian Y.	646.65
Lavoie, Louis H. & Lorraine	94.09
Lavoie, Louis H. & Lorraine	94.09
Lavoie, Louis H. & Lorraine	1517.52
Lavoie, Roland H. & Alice	267.26
Lochridge, Elbert c/o Trust Dept Shawmut	256.26
May, Richard D.	4.01

Maynard, Fernand J.	72.07
McCarthy, John & Veronica	18.02
McCarthy, Raymond R. & Fran Ploof	50.00
McIntosh, Diane L. & Walter L.	8.01
McIntosh, Diane L. & Walter L.	12.01
McIntosh, Diane L. & Walter L.	189.08
Missios, Angelo D. & Denise	150.00
Monette, George A c/o Bruce McLeish	490.41
Mullane, Catherine	308.31
Mullane, James B.	74.07
Mullane, James B.	70.07
Mullane, James B.	148.15
Mullane, James B.	152.15
Mullane, James B.	154.15
Murray, Robert H. & Mary L.	426.43
Ozut, John c/o Baxter	178.18
Page, Edward F. & Maria A.	1377.98
Page, Edward F. & Maria A.	296.30
Parker Estate c/o Harold Barnard	56.06
Peirce, William J.	168.17
Peirce, William J. & Audrey	738.74
Person, Eric R. & Roseanne	140.14
Peters, John C. & Helena	900.90
Phillips c/o Elaine Hayes	1617.62
Pilch, Chester W.	348.35
Pilch, Chester W.	530.53
Pilch, Chester W.	624.62
Pilch, Chester W.	20.02
Pilch, Chester W.	190.19
Pilch, Chester W.	54.05
Pilch, Chester W.	492.49
Pilch, Chester W.	1595.59
Pilch, Chester W.	482.48
Pilch, Chester W.	10.01
Pilch, Chester W.	86.09
Pilch, Chester W.	122.12
Porra, Paul & Carol c/o Escape Estates	470.46
Port, Lynn & Lorraine	1143.14
Prunier, Elizabeth & Clara Sturtevant	198.85
Puduski, Barbara J. & Richard E. Sr.	156.16
Puduski, David H. & Mary A.	1651.65
Quatrone, Lewis	6.01
Quatrone, Lewis & Agnes	302.30
R.L.W.	128.13
Raymond, William L. & Joan M.	421.42
Satter, Edwin C III & Carl Trant	202.20
Schoppe, Shirley	678.68
Segool, James & Arlene	596.60
Segool, James & Arlene	116.12
Segool, James & Arlene	88.09
Shaclumis, Stephen M. & Deborah	546.55
Simonds, Russell F. & Margaret M.	422.42



Snickers, Virginia L.	573.75
Stanton, Ralph I.	84.08
Stavropoulos, Gus	6.01
Stearns, James C.	184.18
Stearns, James C.	125.60
Sturtevant, Diane L. & Robert J.	630.00
Suprenant, John & Mary	44.04
Suprenant, John & Mary	1299.30
Surprise, Paul E. & Velzora M. c/o Langevin	234.33
Tergliafera, Colin K. & Lorraine c/o Cantwell	494.49
Tetreault, Frances R.	.08
Thompson, Chester & Shirley c/o Miller	.42
Topham, Helen c/o Marc Reil	476.48
Tromblay, Sheila A.	348.35
Vacon, Donald J. & Dianne L.	14.01
Van Hook, Joseph & Evelyn	83.28
Van Hook, Joseph & Evelyn	72.46
Varnum, Steven F. & Beatrice A.	900.90
Warren, Edward Jr. c/o Goddard	12.01
Warren, Edward Jr. c/o Goddard	2.00
Weglarz, Kenneth M. & Karen A.	614.61
Wemyss, Alexander III & Diana M.	388.39
Weston, Ronald & Linda	1548.54
Weston, Stanley & Dorris	146.95
Willis, James A. & Roberta H.	.30
Woods, Kevin P. & Susan G.	1335.83
Zak, Anne c/o Fisher	1033.03

FY 1985

Adams, Adella S.	96.77
Archambeault, Paul	11.45
B. & C. Gravel Co.	1028.21
Bascom, Edward S.	194.65
Batrawi c/o R. Tetreault Land Clearing	458.00
Beall, Tod M. & Pamela	556.01
Bouffard, Roger S.	581.66
Breton, Robert	9.16
Brisson, Benoit J.	1199.96
Buccelli, Pasquale	521.34
Burgess, William L & Gloria c/o Hull Forest Prod.	1071.72
Campion, George & Candace A.	183.20
Campion, Gerald H. & Elizabeth C.	3.43
Carassello, Richard & Faith	13.74
Castro, Manuel	1.05
Cavanaugh, Daniel P. & Patricia A.	324.44
Chaplain, Peter & Wm King	748.83
Christianson, John & Leona	209.61
Chu, Nori Y. C. & Lisa Y. L.	1.31
Clowes, Allan & Marilyn	141.98
Cornell, Connie	9.16
Cortis, Donald Jr. & Lyle R.	9.16
D'Angelis, c/o P. Nalle	128.24
Daigle, Lionel	6.87
DeForge, William F. & Jane T.	353.75
DeForge, William F. & Jane T.	6.87
Demers, Jean Paul & Carol Marie	1023.63
Denning, Margaret J.	1005.31
Di Stefano, Salvatore & Edward Keating	80.15
Dougherty, Matthew	6.87
Dougherty, Matthew	6.87
Duncan, Earl E. & Betty May	253.19
Elliott, Linwood	503.80
Emond, Roger & Roland c/o Tessier	52.67
Flynn, Kenneth & Nancy A.	950.35
Fountain, Royal W.	622.88
Fuller, William O. & Bonnie	474.03
Gamache, Rosalie A.	16.03
Garces, Sherryl & W. Bressette	503.80
Garces, Sherryl & W. Bressette	59.54
Gauthier, Raymond & Donna	986.99
Goddard, William C. & Dorothy K.	648.07
Goddard, William C. & Dorothy K.	593.11
Green c/o Gary Matthews	480.90
Grenier, Kevin & Karen M.	196.94
Gross, George Jr.	1200.00
Harlow-Royal Realty Inc.	139.69
Healy, Frank J. & Mary L.	22.90

Henderson c/o Brian Dee & Mark Hastings	280.60
Hicks, Richard & Shirley O.	721.35
Hicks, Richard & Dorothy Anderson	80.15
Hicks, Richard & Shirley O.	478.87
Hopkins, Shirley	980.12
Hopkins, Shirley	32.06
Hubbard, Lawrence F.	2.29
Hubbard, Lawrence F.	757.99
Johnson, James c/o P. Johnson	361.82
La Vallee, Richard B. & Doris M.	6.87
La Vigne, Leo c/o Donald La Vigne	590.82
Langevin, Francis & Tina M.	217.58
Langevin, Edward F. & Irene M.	803.79
Langlitz, John C. Jr.	51.56
Lavoie, Louis & Lorraine	107.63
Lavoie, Louis & Lorraine	107.63
Lavoie, Roland H. & Alice	280.53
Lewis, Mrs. Breck S.	169.46
Lochridge, Elbert c/o Shawmut Trust Dept	293.12
Lumia, Joseph & Clara	.01
MacDowell, David	148.85
MacDowell, David	148.85
MacDowell, David	673.26
MacDowell, David W. & Shirley A.	2200.69
Martin, Louis	238.16
Mason, John N. & Ruth E.	24.14
Mastroianni, Pasquale A.	13.74
Maynard, Fernand J.	82.44
McCarthy, John W. & Veronica	20.61
McGill, George & Beulah K.	899.97
McIntosh, Diane L. & Walter L.	347.42
McKinstry, Leonard D. c/o Stephen G Fellars	267.93
McVeigh, Alexander H. & Jessie	401.53
McGill, George & Beulah K.	20.61
Mellis, David G. & Cheryl	28.22
Missios, Angelo & Denise C.	977.83
Monette, Ernest F. & Ruth S.	909.13
Monette, George A. c/o Bruce McLeish	725.93
Mooney, Howard & Sharon A.	950.35
Moran, John & Helen M.	657.23
Morin, Ruth	201.52
Mullane, Catherine	352.66
Mullane, James	84.73
Mullane, James	80.15
Mullane, James	169.46
Mullane, James	174.04
Mullane, James	176.33
Murray, Robert H. & Mary L.	227.34
Orsucci, Joseph & Alice S.	157.46
Oyler, John & Gail A.	435.10
Ozut, John c/o Baxter	203.81
Ozut, John & Rose J. c/o Baxter	16.03



Page, Edward & Maria A.	338.92
Page, Edward & Maria A.	1953.37
Parker Estate c/o Harold Barnard	64.12
Parnes, Constance	7.11
Peirce, William Jr. & Audrey	911.42
Peirce, William	192.36
Pelland, Vivian & C. Patrie	6.87
Person, Eric & Roseanne H.	160.30
Peters, John & Helena T.	1030.50
Phillips c/o Elaine Hayes	1504.53
Pilch, Chester	606.85
Pilch, Chester	714.48
Pilch, Chester	398.46
Pilch, Chester	22.90
Pilch, Chester	217.55
Pilch, Chester	61.83
Pilch, Chester	563.34
Pilch, Chester	1850.32
Pilch, Chester	551.89
Pilch, Chester	11.45
Pilch, Chester	98.47
Pilch, Chester	139.69
Pleu, Walter	65.27
Plouffe, Ann Marie	521.82
Prunier, Elizabeth & Clara Sturtevant	1657.96
Puduski, David & Mary A.	25.19
Puduski, David & Mary A.	1905.28
Quatrone, Lewis	6.87
Quatrone, Lewis	327.47
Raymond, William & Joan M.	964.09
Reed, John E. For Sterling Realty Trust	12.93
Renzoni, Jennifer	524.41
Resseguie, Gary & Karen F.	12.71
Roberts, Louis F.	96.18
Romano, Richard R. & Amelia A.	183.20
Rowe, William L. & Jean R.	1664.83
Rutanen, David & Clarice A.	468.11
Satter, Edwin C. & Carl Trant	231.29
Schoppe, Shirley	776.31
Segool, James & Arlene	682.42
Segool, James & Arlene	132.82
Segool, James & Arlene	100.76
Shaclumis, Stephen M. & Deborah	625.17
Simonds, Russell F. & Margaret M.	483.19
Sisko, Lawrence & Deborah S.	752.27
Smus, John & Dupre, Thomas c/o Kelly	1471.32
Snickers, Virginia L.	801.50
Sotiropoulos, Harry	59.54
Stanton, Ralph I.	96.18
Stavropoulos, Constantine	6.87
Stearns, James C.	210.68
Stearns, James C.	625.17

Stearns, Willis R. & Phyllis E.	32.07
Sturtevant, Diane L. & Robert J.	2063.29
Suprenant, John & Mary	50.38
Suprenant, John & Mary	1486.21
Tergliafera, Colin K. & Lorraine c/o Cantwell	565.63
Tromblay, Sheila A.	398.46
Vacon, Donald J. & Dianne L.	16.03
Van Hook, Joseph & Evelyn	605.34
Van Hook, Joseph & Evelyn	144.27
Varnum, Stephen & Beatrice	1003.02
Visneau, Robert J. & Joanne	215.53
Vreeland, Bruce & Carolyn	800.00
Wait, Harold c/o J.H. Wait	556.47
Warren, Edward Jr. c/o Goddard	13.74
Warren, Edward Jr. c/o Goddard	2.29
Weglarz, Kenneth M. & Karen A.	703.03
Wemyss, Alexander III & Diana M.	437.39
Weston, Stanley & Dorris et al	168.32
Weston, Ronald H. & Linda M.	1333.82
Wight, Roland c/o Oliver Howlett	1200.97
Winkler, Jean F. c/o Hanford & Karen Clay	159.51
Woods, Kevin & Susan G.	1553.99
Wozny, Joseph A. & Dorothy M.	6.87

Individual and Group Counseling

Family Counseling

School - based counseling

Drug evaluation, education, and counseling



- 24 hr. crisis intervention
- Family life/community education
- Alternative programs for youth and families
- Consultation, information and referral

**TRI-LINK, INC.**  
51 EVERETT STREET  
SOUTHBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 01550  
765-9101

TRI-LINK, INC.

Summary of Services to  
Town of Brimfield  
July 1984 - June 1985

CLIENTS SERVED:

New Request for Services	19
24 Hour Crisis Calls	3
Information/Referral	8
Outreach Contacts	85
Community/Family Life Education Participants	0
Total Clients	115

HOURS OF CLINICAL SERVICE:

Crisis Intervention	17
Counseling	33
Case Management	21
Consultation & Education	7
Outreach	2
Total Hours	80

TOTAL AGENCY PROFILE OF PRESENTING PROBLEMS 1984-1985:

Abuse/Neglect	25
Suicide	15
Pregnancy	6
Drug Use	140
Depression	36
Family Dysfunction	92
Parenting	3
Adolescent Adjustment	45
Adult Life Issues	5
Life Skills	7
Housing	2
Psychiatric	4
Behavioral Problems	114

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VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
DISTRICT OF EASTERN HAMPDEN COUNTY  
MONSON, MASSACHUSETTS  
01057

January 16, 1986

Board of Selectmen  
Brimfield, MA. 01010

In 1985 there were five families aided by the Veterans' Services Department involving eleven people.

Total amount expended during the year was \$10,315.48 of which 75% is reimbursed by the State. The Towns' share being \$2,578.87.

Under the provisions of Chapter 115 of the General Laws as amended, veterans' and their dependents were granted financial assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn F. Bolaske  
Director of Veterans' Services

SPECIAL BYLAW REVIEW COMMITTEE  
Report to the Annual Town Meeting  
May 1986

C O N T E N T S

1. Opening Remarks
2. Special Notes and Recommendations
3. Comments on Proposals
4. Appendix of Statutes
5. Appendix of Corrections

O P E N I N G   R E M A R K S

The Special Bylaw Review Committee was established by town vote in May, 1985. It was directed to review all town bylaws and propose additions, revisions, deletions, and other recommendations to the next annual town meeting. It was further directed to cooperate with town boards having an interest in bylaw matters.

The composition of the committee promoted cooperation. Directed to include a member of the Finance Committee, Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, and the Conservation Commission, it also included the Selectmen, Moderator, Town Clerk, the regular Bylaw Committee, and three at-large appointed members. It was a group with loyalty to town government and ample credentials.

The committee undertook a three-part process for review of the bylaws, using four subcommittees to accomplish the many tasks. Each subcommittee was directed 1) to research and document specific bylaws, 2) to listen to the views of the whole committee and interested residents and 3) to make recommendations for whole committee action. To accomplish these goals, six research hours and three open meetings were scheduled. The Planning Board further held public hearings on those items concerning zoning.

The basic town bylaws were adopted in 1957. One substantive review and revision was made in 1975. The committee was able to document most of the changes adopted in the past 29 years; an annotated copy of the bylaws was furnished to selectmen as a reference copy.

The bylaws are a dynamic and changing document; a regular bylaw committee is appointed each year. They may propose revisions at any time. The next scheduled publication of the bylaws is with the annual report for fiscal year 1986 (which will come to voters in April 1987 or earlier). Voters requiring a copy of the bylaws meanwhile may request one from the town clerk.

ATTENTION TOWN MEETING: Residents attending town meeting should bring the (green) bylaw book with them, as floor copies will not be available.

The Special Bylaw Review Committee:

Brian Haley, Selectman	Chair:	Pamela E. Beall, Finance Committee
Jean McGann, Selectman		George Gross, Zoning Board of Appeals
Michael Sullivan, Selectman		Susan Sutherland, Planning Board
Doris Podlasek, Town Clerk		Carol Porter, Conserv. Comm. (res.)
Robert Cheney, Moderator		appt: Judith Sessler, Con. Com. Associate
George B. Adams, Bylaw Committee		Edward Killian, appointee
Donald Fitzgibbons, Bylaw Committee		Beth St. Clair, appointee
Larry Lowenthal, Bylaw Committee		James A. Adams Jr., appointee

## NOTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE

Articles 30 to 47 of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant have been framed and submitted to selectmen by the Special Bylaw Review Committee. These are highlighted on the pages which follow. In addition to the items submitted to town meeting action, the Special Bylaw Review Committee makes the following recommendations:

1. We recommend that a Special Bylaw review committee be appointed in another ten years to conduct a comprehensive review similar to this one and the one conducted in 1975-76. A 1995-96 review would assure that Brimfield enters the 21st century with pride in having a town government with traditions and standards that fit the future.

2. We recommend that the regular Bylaw Committee (composed of moderator's appointee, selectmen's appointee and a third mutually selected appointee) be more vigorous in its annual work, reviewing matters that may require interpretation and revision of our bylaws.

3. Among the areas that might come under future review are:

- To continue refining our unique bylaws for regulating flea markets. If the Mass Gathering Bylaw is adopted, a future change might simplify the flea market to eliminate overlapping regulations.
- Dog and leash laws should be examined and local bylaws considered.
- The role of the Finance Committee is often discussed and may be the subject for additional bylaws regarding its function. The role of other town officers may be the object of a broad study at some future time.

CAN ANYONE HELP: The collection of annual town reports kept at the Town Hall is incomplete. Two years, 1955 and 1957 are missing. If any voter has spare copies of these books they would be welcome by the selectmen.



## COMMENTS ON PROPOSALS

The Special Bylaw Review Committee submits these comments to voters at the Annual Town Meeting of May, 1986. The changes proposed fall into four broad categories:

Housekeeping and Administration (Articles 30, 31, 32, 36) -- Several proposals will clarify town procedures without substantive change.

Town Reports (Articles 33, 34, 35) -- At least twice in the past five years there have been proposals to change our town report to a calendar-year report. Our existing bylaw calls for fiscal-year reports, prepared and delivered to voters by October 1, a practice which has not been followed for several years. It is hoped that this group of articles reconciles the many bylaws concerned with town reports and will make the calendar-year system attractive. The three articles are linked; there will be no advantage in passing one without the others.

Zoning -- The changes proposed in zoning bylaws have long-range impact on how the town will grow and thrive. No subject was more debated in committee than this one. One group of changes relates to our homes (Articles 41, 42, 43, and 44); another group related to business activity (Articles 38, 39, 42, 43, 44, 45 and 46). Agricultural enterprise would also come under new restrictions (Articles 42, 43, 44).

Flea Market (Articles 37, 47) -- The changes proposed to the flea market bylaws will strengthen our intention, as a town, to provide a safe, orderly environment for the conduct of this seasonal outdoor business. The Mass-Gathering Bylaw proposed will also apply to flea markets, as well as to the type of events that could take place at some of the flea market sites, such as concerts, fairs, political rallies, or sporting events.

ARTICLE 30 (bylaw hearings) This type of hearing, while lacking the stricter notice requirements for a zoning bylaw change, would create a review mechanism that does not now exist.

ARTICLE 31 (town elections) This revision moves information about polling hours to the paragraph above with other information about elections.

ARTICLE 32 (planning board election) The Planning Board was created by its own bylaw (Bylaw Article IX), but should be included in the bylaw specifying annual elections.

ARTICLE 33 (town report period) Changes the town reporting date from fiscal year to calendar year. The intention is to make town reports more current and available closer to Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 34 (fiscal reports) Financial officers, who must make fiscal reports, would continue to do so, but would also provide a partial half-year report for the current year.

ARTICLE 35 (town report availability) Town Reports would be delivered on the same schedule and basis as the Town Meeting Warrant and the directions for this would come in the more appropriate bylaw (Bylaw Article VII Town Reports).

ARTICLE 36 (fee for bylaws) Allows a fee for printing to be charged for copies of the town bylaws provided after the publication in the Annual Town Report, or to persons other than voters.

Comments on Proposals, continued

ARTICLE 37 (flea market) These changes clarify and expand safety requirements for those conducting flea markets. (The Finance Committee will undoubtedly clarify the role of the so-called flea market revolving fund and the direct billing for health and safety services to owners/operators).

RECOMMENDATIONS: The subcommittee examining this issue had several excellent suggestions. For example, signs might be placed along Route 20 warning oncoming vehicles of pedestrian traffic ahead. Safety platforms might be erected for traffic officers as well. These suggestions were passed to selectmen and may be acted upon this season.

ARTICLE 38 (flea market trailers) This zoning change would exempt trailers from camping interpretations and limit the time period allowed for this use.

ARTICLE 39 (zoning business district on map) Creates a green belt or open space closed to business development along U.S. Route 20 in defined areas. Currently the business zone is a strip along the entire length of Route 20 from town line to town line.

ARTICLE 40 (zoning educational use) Permits educational uses only after a Board of Appeals finding.

ARTICLE 41 (zoning dwelling lot size) Increases minimum lot size from one to two acres and increases frontage requirements from 125/150 to 200 feet for any dwelling in any district.

ARTICLE 42 (zoning setbacks) Increases front, side, and back lot dimensions for placement of dwellings and commercial buildings, regardless of type of district. It leaves in place the small setback required for accessory buildings and creates a new setback requirement for agricultural buildings.

ARTICLE 43 (zoning intensity regulations) Applies setbacks for all buildings in all districts.

ARTICLE 44 (zoning driveways) Requires private driveways to every dwelling lot and allows sideyard driveways only to dwellings or private, non-business buildings.

ARTICLE 45 (zoning flood plain use) No business or industrial use would be allowed in any flood plain district.

ARTICLE 46 (zoning signs) Decreases size allowed for one free-standing sign at a business site and clarifies placement relative to travelled ways.

ARTICLE 47 (Mass Gatherings) This new bylaw article would regulate outdoor events such as rock concerts (or symphonies), fairs, or sporting events. It would be applicable to flea markets.



## APPENDIX OF STATUTES

The list below itemizes statutes from the Massachusetts General Laws that have been adopted by the town and are binding. These are in addition to specific statutes referred to in the text of any town bylaw. The committee reviewed town documents back to 1957 (the date the town bylaws were adopted in its present form). It is presumed that other statutes, not itemized here, were adopted prior to 1957.

<u>Date Adopted</u>	<u>Substance</u>
June 1983	MGL Chapter 138, Section 128 re: restriction on nude entertainment in public places
June 1983	MGL Chapter 40, Section 4G re: permitting purchases under \$4000 without bid process
May 1982	MGL Chapter 148, Section 26e re: requiring smoke detectors in motels, etc.
Mar 1982	MGL Chapter 90, Section 20A½ re: issuance of parking tickets and collections
Mar 1982	MGL Chapter 166, Section 32A re: electrical inspectors doing business in town
May 1976	MGL Chapter 40, Section 8B re: establishment of a Council on Aging
Mar 1973	MGL Chapter 44, Section 53c re: establishment of an account for deposit and expenditure of monies for off-duty details of employees and others
Mar 1972	MGL Chapter 40, Section 8 D re: establishment of an Historical Commission
Mar 1970	MGL Chapter 40, Section 8C re: establishment of a Conservation Commission
Mar 1969	MGL Chapter 41, Sections 96, 96A, 97, 98 re: establishment of a police department
Mar 1969	MGL Chapter 40, Section 81 re: establishment of a Development and Industries Commission
Mar 1968	MGL Chapter 40, Section 6 e (public referendum) re: permitting appropriations for ice and snow removal on private roads



## APPENDIX OF CORRECTIONS

It was brought to the attention of the Special Bylaw Review Committee that a number of errors found their way into the most recent bylaw publication (the green pages in the town report distributed last April). These corrections will be incorporated into the next publishment. You may wish to correct your copy in the interim.

PAGE 3 -- In Article II, Section 3, the following words were omitted and fall between the Harding Fund and the Tantasqua Regional District School Committee: "...six members of the James D. Lincoln Library Fund Trustees for three years each, one to be elected annually,". (adopted 1961)

PAGE 9 -- In Article VII, Section 1, the word provide should read provided.

PAGE 9 -- In Article VII, Section 2, the word more (last line) should read -O-.

PAGE 11 -- In Article VIII, Section 2i, re: trailers at flea markets WAS NOT ACCEPTED by the Attorney General and is not a town bylaw. Strike the paragraph.

PAGE 14 -- In Article XII, Section II, the last line should read Webster's Unabridged Dictionary. (adopted 1975)

PAGE 16 -- In Article XII, Section IV-C, sub 1d, the phrase "or public utility" should read "of public utility."

PAGE 19 -- In Article XII, Section VI-D, sub 1, the word construction should read constructed.

BOATING BYLAW -- A bylaw adopted in 1958 has not been published in a bylaw book since. It would appropriately be town bylaw Article X, but it will be inserted in the next publication in its entirety, at an appropriate place.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to adopt following By-Law, or take any other action thereon:

1. No person shall operate a motor powered boat any type on any body of water in the Town of Brimfield unless said motor is equipped with an effective muffler of standard type and construction.

2. No person having control or direction of a boat on any body of water in the Town of Brimfield shall neglect or refuse to stop the same when directed to do so by a police officer who is uniformed or displays his badge of authority.

3. No person shall operate a powered boat within an area designated as a swimming area and enclosed by buoys.

4. Not Passed.

5. No person shall operate a boat on any body of water in Brimfield during hours of darkness or dusk unless such boat is equipped with a light of either portable or fixed character sufficient in intensity to be visible from the shore at all times in fair weather.

6. No person shall operate a boat upon any body of water in Brimfield with a greater number of occu-

pants than is reasonably safe, having in mind the weather, the number of available life preservers and the capacity of the boat as prescribed by the builder.

7. A power boat towing a water skier shall carry at least one person in addition to the operator who shall be capable of rendering assistance to the skier or operator in the event of an emergency.

8. The following rules of the road shall be applicable to all operators of craft on bodies of water in the Town of Brimfield:

(A) Unpowered craft have the right of way over powered craft.

(B) A craft being overtaken has the right of way over craft overtaking.

(C) Boats approaching approximately head on shall bear to the right and pass left to left or port to port.

(D) In a crossing situation the boat on the right hand is privileged and has the right of way and the burdened craft shall give way.

Whoever violates any one of the above rules and regulations shall forfeit and pay a fine not exceeding twenty dollars for each offense.



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## 1.0 SUMMARY

### 1.1 Study Background

Lake Sherman, as well as Little Alum and Mill Pond, are important recreation, aesthetic, and drinking water resources for the Town of Brimfield. Although Little Alum maybe the only body of water utilized directly for drinking water. Lake Sherman and Mill Pond do provide recharge and head pressure for the aquifer associated with Brimfield center. At the present time, the Town of Brimfield does not have any public beach on either of the three bodies of water. There is a state access to Little Alum but is is primarily used for fishing boats only.

In the fall of 1984, the Town of Brimfield appropriated funds to undertake a limited diagnostic/feasibility study of Lake Sherman. Subsequently in March 1985, the Town appropriated additional funding to augment the scope of the studies for Lake Sherman and to have LYCOTT undertake additional testing and evaluations of Mill and Little Alum Ponds. It has been the goal of this study to conduct an investigation of Lake Sherman that will evaluate the nutrient loading from various sources and to review for the Town all of the long term and in-lake management techniques for controlling the nuisance growth of aquatic vegetation. In the last several years, Lake Sherman has become thoroughly inundated with a growth of aquatic weed (Milfoil species). In order for the residents of Brimfield living around Lake Sherman to utilize the pond for recreational purposes, there will have to be some management of these weeds instituted.

At the present time, neither Little Alum nor Mill Pond have nuisance growths of aquatic vegetation. There is from time to time minor algae blooms that occur. But again, the problem of lake eutrophication has nt created any serious recreation or public health problems to the nearby residents of these ponds. There is of course concern, especially by those residents of Little Alum, regarding the future of Little Alum's water quality and vegetative growth. It has been the objective of this study to take a preliminary evaluation of the nutrient load in both Little Alum and Mill Pond.

This project has been designed to follow closely with the requirements of a diagnostic/feasibility study for the Massachusetts Clean Lake Program Chapter 628. However, due to the limited budgetary requirements of the Town, all



aspects of a thorough diagnostic/feasibility study under Chapter 628 have not been undertaken. More specifically, sampling programs have been greatly reduced for all three bodies of water, especially with regard to the storm water run-off. Primarily, the objective of this study is to identify for the Town of Brimfield Lake Sherman's hydrological and nutrient budget and to identify the major sources of nutrients entering Lake Sherman. The same objectives for the study have been carried through for Little Alum and Mill Pond. However, this has been done with a much reduced sampling schedule.

## 1.2 Scope of Objectives

Under the contract for the Town of Brimfield LYCOTT has addressed the following major tasks in studying the three bodies of water.

Task 1 - Water Quality Sampling and Analysis

Task 1a.- Water quality Sampling of Little Alum and Mill Pond.

Task 2. - Sedimentation Evaluation and Analysis

Task 3. - Septic System Evaluation

Task 4. - Aquatic Vegetation

Task 5. - Water Shed Evaluations

Task 6. - Hydrology

Task 7. - Feasibility of Lake Management Alternatives

## 1.3 Summary of Findings

### 1.3.1 Lake Sherman

For the water quality sampling project and resultant nutrient budget that has been conducted by LYCOTT during this project, it is evident that a substantial loading of nutrients are entering Lake Sherman from the East Brook watershed. Future sampling of this watershed must be conducted to ascertain the specific sources of this high level of nutrients. Lake Sherman is phosphorus limited and can be considered in an eutrophic state with extra heavy growth of milfoil throughout the lake. The depth of sediment combined with the shallowness of the lake indicates that long-term management must add continuous weed management, watershed management, and sediment removal. Another factor that must be recognized is that Milfoil, like any other aquatic species in New

England, is not indigenous. Once introduced, Milfoil will normally out compete all other aquatic vegetative species. This is what has occurred in Lake Sherman.

#### 1.3.1.2 Little Alum

Little Alum is clearly mesotrophic. Little Alum does not suffer from any nuisance growth of aquatic vegetation and periodically during the summer months, it only shows minor blue-green algae blooms. Little Alum does have apparent growth of milfoil in the shallow portions of the lake. we are unable to determine how long the milfoil has been growing in Little Alum but immediate action should be undertaken to determine from lake residents how long the milfoil has been present and whether or not it has spread to new locations in the last two to three years. A serious discussion should be undertaken with the lake residents and Town officials to forestall a possible inundation of the shoreline of Little Alum by this species. The watershed of Little Alum, other than the immediate shoreline, has been well preserved in a natural vegetative state. This, together with the natural depth of the lake, has allowed Little Alum to stay in relatively good condition. Although detailed septic system evaluations were not conducted under this study for Little Alum, it can be assumed, due to the number of dwellings located along the shoreline, that the nutrient load for septic systems is probably a factor which should be seriously dealt with in the near future.

#### 1.3.1.3 Mill Pond

Mill Pond is basically an impoundment on Beaver Brook which drains a sizeable watershed. As a result of this, the hydrological flush rate or flow through of Mill Pond is very high. As a result of this situation, siltation and watershed activity greatly effect Mill Pond's water quality and depth. If the Town of Brimfield allows continued development of the watershed, which will contribute to soil erosion, then the sediment rate of Mill Pond will accelerate. Mill Pond is also very susceptible to further nuisance aquatic vegetative growth; and although there is not a problem at the present time, the Town should be aware of the possibility of future problems with regards to heavy growth of aquatic plant life in Mill Pond.

#### 1.3.2 Recommendations

As a result of the diagnostic/feasibility study, the following recommendations are being made for each of the three water bodies in Brimfield.



#### 1.3.2.1. Lake Sherman

1. Review zoning and land use by-laws to effectually reduce development which causes additional soil erosion and sedimentation to Lake Sherman.
2. Conduct additional sampling of East Brook and its watershed to identify nutrient sources.
3. Institute search for funding sources to begin sediment removal.
4. Institute aquatic weed harvesting program to alleviate nuisance growth of aquatic vegetation.
5. Institute limited lake level draw-down on an annual basis.

#### 1.3.2.2. Little Alum

1. During the spring and summer of 1986, determine the history, size, and condition of milfoil expansion in Little Alum.
2. Begin meeting with lake residents and Town officials to institute a milfoil management program.
3. Begin annual biological surveys to identify new aquatic weed growth.
4. Review zoning and land use by-laws to effectually reduce development which causes additional soil erosion and sedimentation to Little Alum.
5. Institute zoning by-laws changes to require large lot sizes in the Little Alum watershed.
6. Begin a detailed analyses of all septic systems within 100 feet of the Little Alum shoreline.
7. Review the Town's Board of Health regulations and institute a vigilant septic system pumping and inspection program. Be sure that septic systems for summer dwellers meet Title 5 State code when conversions are made to year round use.
8. Encourage Town residents and land owners to preserve a wooded, undisturbed watershed.
9. Combine septic system evaluations studies with a detailed diagnostic/feasibility study.



the Selectmen of Brimfield have been working with property owners and Town residents to acquire an official Town owned public access. There appears to be several options with this regards. However, it is questionable whether or not the Town will ever accept the offers for public access that have been made. If the Town of Brimfield and the Lake Sherman residents ever hope to qualify for State funding, then a public access will have to be procured.

### 1.3 Summary of Findings

#### 1.3.1. Lake Sherman

On October 8, 1976, LYCOTT conducted a biological survey of Lake Sherman to determine the species of aquatic vegetation and their areas of growth. At that time, Milfoil in Lake Sherman was not prevalent and the aquatic weed species that were found were not seriously hampering recreational activities. (Ref: Appendix A) Subsequently, LYCOTT conducted a baseline water quality survey of Lake Sherman in 1984 and determined that the nuisance growth of aquatic vegetation in Lake Sherman was Milfoil. At this time, a proposal for management was provided to the Lake Association. This management program was not instituted; and instead, the Town voted to utilize the funds to have LYCOTT undertake this diagnostic/feasibility study of the three waterbodies in Brimfield.

In June 1985, the Massachusetts Department of Water Pollution Control conducted a baseline water quality survey of Lake Sherman and subsequently submitted the results of that survey to the Lake Sherman Association in October 1985. (Ref: Appendix B) The Division of Water Pollution Control report also indicated a wide variety of aquatic micro-phyte, the most prevalent species being Milfoil and Pontederia Cordata. Based on their limited survey, the Division indicated that Lake Sherman is in the low mesotrophic range. Further discussion of the classification of Lake Sherman can be found in Section 5 of this report.

Lake Sherman is located approximately one mile north of the center of Brimfield (Figure 1.). Lake Sherman has a total surface acreage of 86 with a mean depth of five feet. However, LYCOTT found the maximum depth to be 9 ft. Historically, Lake Sherman has been utilized for boating, water skiing, fishing, swimming, and winter sports. According to historians in Brimfield, the Lake was always in existence but was dammed up and made larger some time during the late 1800's or early 1900's.

#### 1.2 Little Alum (See Figure 1.)

Little Alum is a great pond according to State records and has a surface acreage of 73 with a mean depth of 17 feet.

The State lists the maximum depth as 42 feet and LYCOTT found a depth of 40 feet. This lake is stocked annually with trout by the Massachusetts Division of Fish and Wildlife. The lake supports very active recreational resources for both lake residents and the general public. Little Alum is located near the eastern border of Brimfield, approximately one mile north of Rt. 20 and like Lake Sherman, it is part of the Quinebaug River watershed.

### 1.3 Mill Pond (See Figure 1.)

Mill Pond is located southwest of the center of Brimfield, just west of Mill lane Road. Mill Pond has a surface acreage of 15 and maximum depth of 6 ft.

### 2.1 Public Access

Only Little Alum has any official public access. Although Lake Sherman has been utilized by the general public for years, the locations of public access are actually privately owned. The Town of Brimfield is continuing to deal with the public access issue for Lake Sherman and this problem still has not been resolved at the time of the writing of this report.

### 2.3 Land Use and Water Shed

#### 2.3.1 Lake Sherman

Lake Sherman watershed is made up of 3,494 acres which is a mixture of highways.

### 2.4 Geology

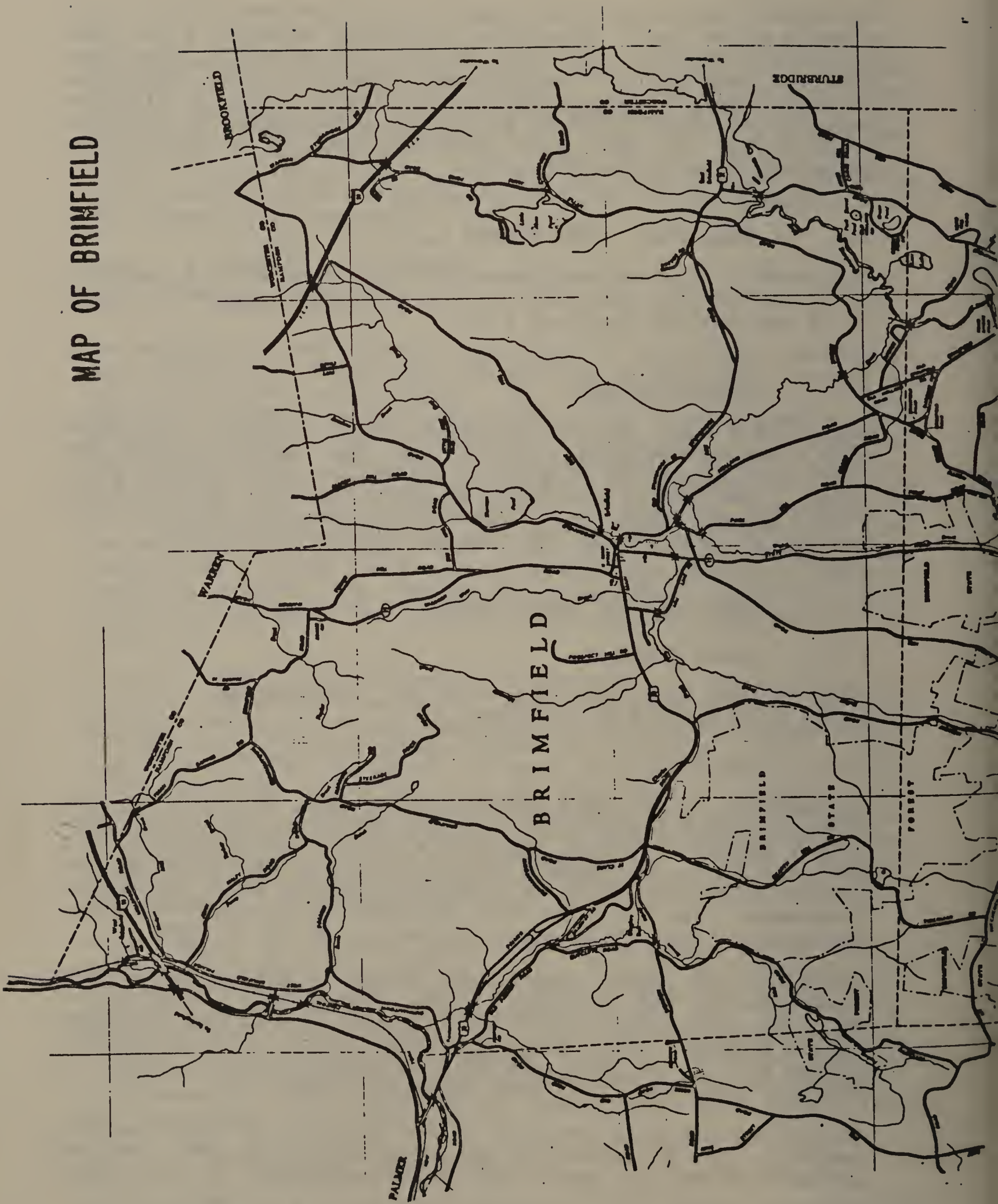
The bedrock in the Lake Sherman watershed is part of the central upland crystalline belt and consists of three major types: gneiss, schist, and quartz diorite which are plutonic and high grade metamorphic rocks of pre-Pennsylvanian age and diabase dikes and sills of probable Jurassic age. The Warren Quadrangle lies within the Sillimanite-Potassium-Feldspar Metamorphic Zone of Thompson and Norton (1968, P. 320).

There are two major formations known as the Mount Pisgah Formation and the Hamilton River Formation; the latter of which is subdivided in the upper schist member and the upper gneiss member. These rocks are well foliated and dip steeply to the west. In the vicinity of West Mountain, there is evidence that the rocks have been overturned.

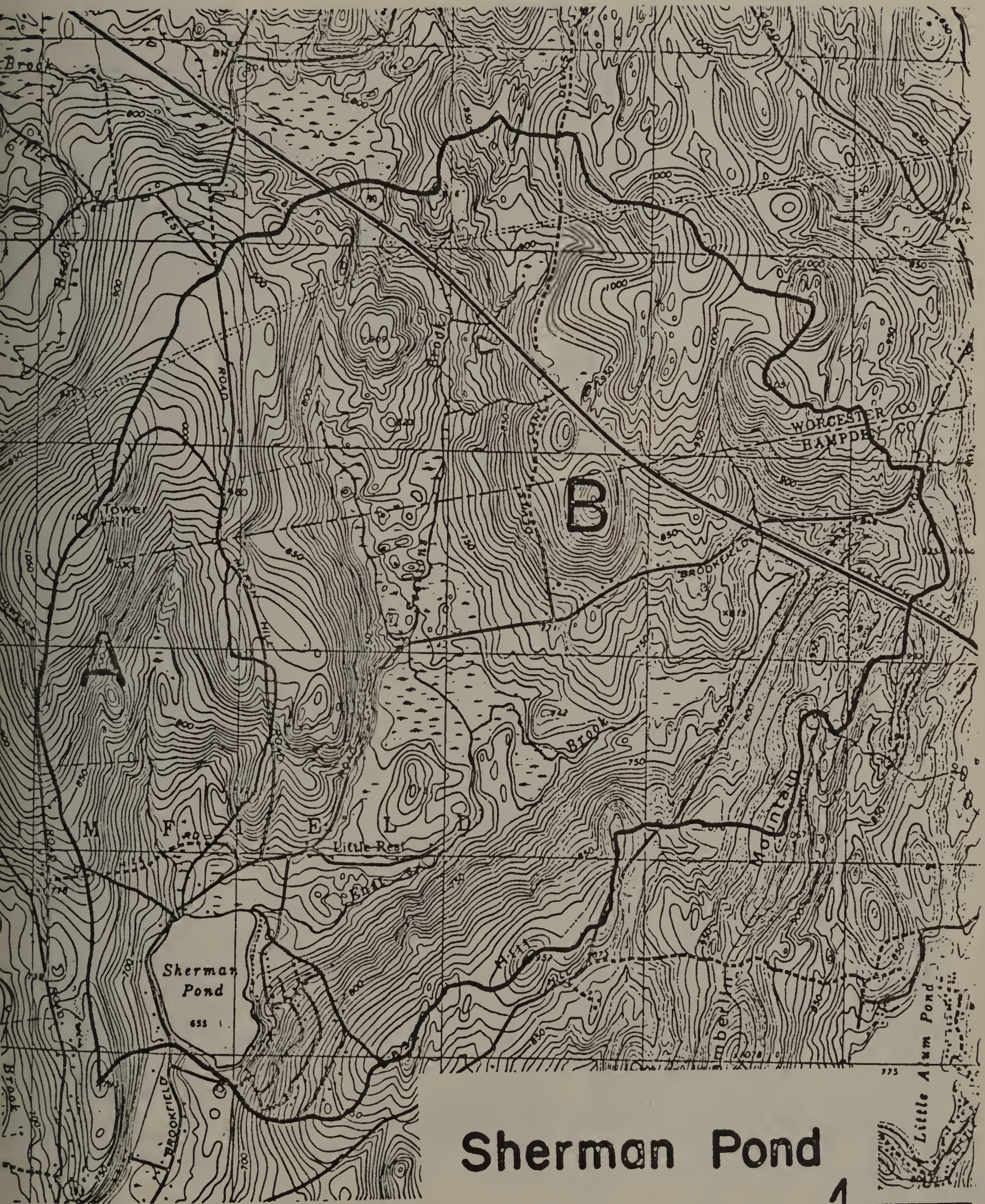
Gross physiographic features are related to the bedrock geology. The foliation of the plutonic rocks and pelitic gneisses forms the prevalent north-northeast to northeast



# MAP OF BRIMFIELD



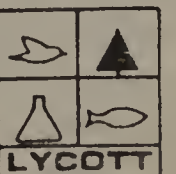




Sherman Pond

Watershed

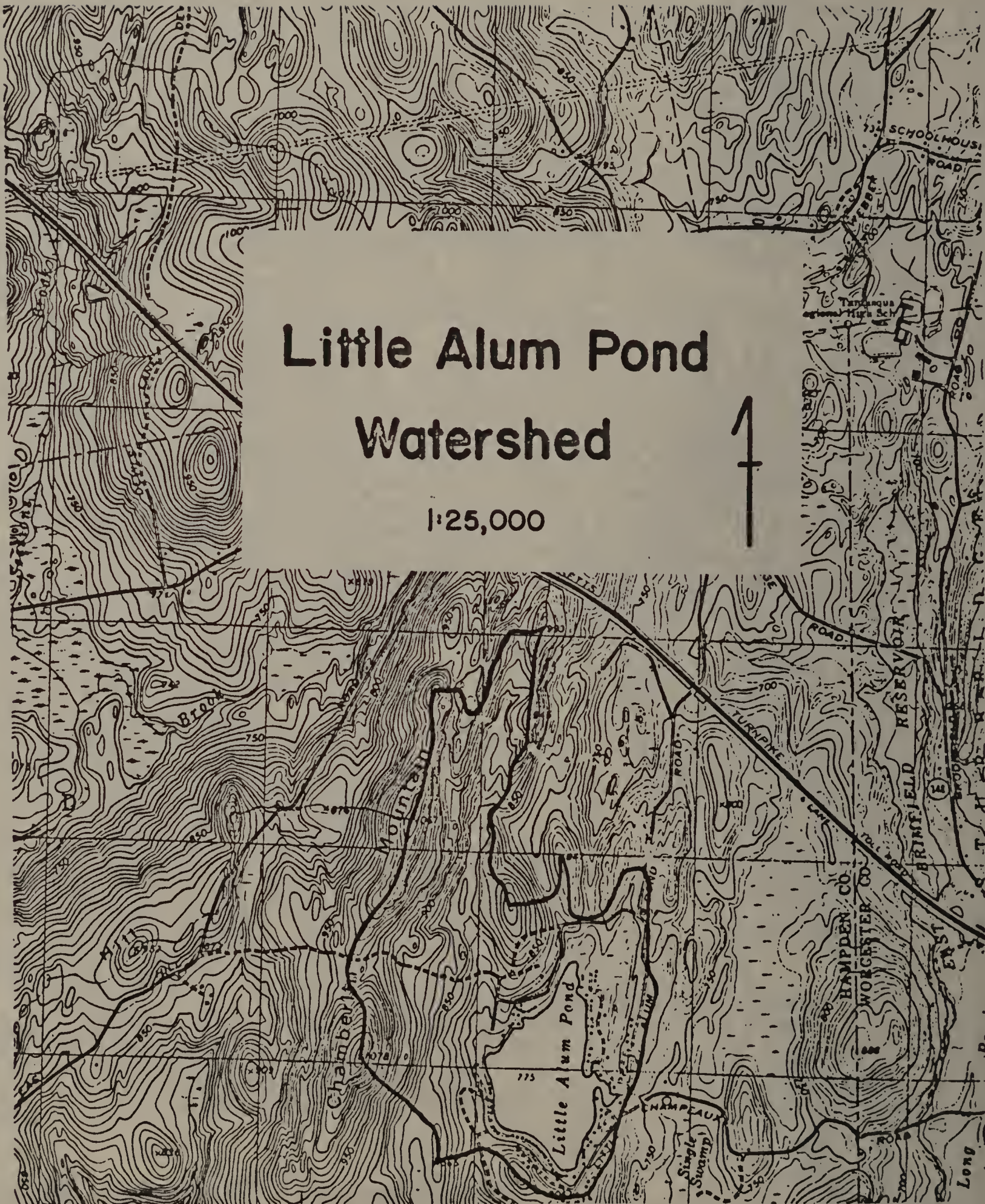
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# Little Alum Pond Watershed

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trend of the highland area north of West Warren and West and Chamberlin mountains in the southern part of the quadrangle. Some major valleys have developed along inferred faults.

The surficial geology (Figure 1.) for the Warren quadrangle has also been mapped by Pomeroy (1977). The three major types of surficial deposits are glacial tills, stratified drift, and swamp deposits. There are two types of till observed in this area: lower till and upper till, the latter of which is represented by two phases.

The lower till is a compact lodgement till and is inferred to make up drumlin cores. (Schafer and Hartshorn, 1965, P.117) and represents an early ice advance.

The upper till is a fairly compact lodgement phase overlain by a younger loose ablation phase. The upper till is presumed to represent the latest ice advance (Koteil, 1973).

The stratified drift deposits were derived during deglaciation by glacial meltwater. Glacialfluvial and glaciolacustrine stratified drift can be grouped into the broad genetic types distinguished on the abundance of stagnant or detached ice in the environment in which each was deposited. Proglacial stratified drift was deposited in streams and lakes beyond the margin of a glacier but derives its sediment from a melting glacier.

Swamp deposits have been designated in areas where peat and organic matter are shown to extend to a depth of three feet. The swamp deposits may be underlain by more permeable glacial formations. Groundwater held in the swamp deposits may, at times, act to recharge the underlying glacial formations, vertical movement in swamp deposits is low.

Sediment deposited of modern streams was also mapped; it occurs on the floodplains of modern streams. Each sedimentation unit of these alluvial deposits is moderately sorted to well sorted, but superposition of sedimentation units that have been deposited under different conditions of discharge and sediment load given the alluvial deposits and overall poorly sorted character. Many of the streams have swamps along their floodplains. Alluvial deposits consist largely of silt and sand with minor amounts of rounded gravel.

## 2.5 Soils

The USDA Soil Conservation Service has indicated that much of the Little Alum Pond, Sherman Pond and Mill Pond watersheds is composed of Paxton and Woodridge fine sandy loam. These soils are formed in glacial till.

The soils are mostly on steep upland ridges with some development in stream valleys. However, bedrock outcrops often occur in areas where the soil cover is thin or absent. The Little Alum Pond watershed has almost half of its area composed of bedrock outcrop.

Three soils typically constitute the major soil types in the watersheds. Almost 60 per cent is Paxton, 15 percent is Woodbridge, and 10 per cent Sudbury. Other minor soils make up the remaining 15 per cent.

SCS soils mapping (subject to change) covers the lakes' watersheds. It is this data in correlation with topographic hydrogeologic and land use information, which will allow interpretation for subsurface sewage disposal and soil erodability. These two characteristics are important in assessing soil interrelationships with water quality.

## 2.6 Septic System Evaluation

During the summer and fall of 1985, and as part of the tasks for the project, LYCOTT personally visited just about all the dwellings surrounding Lake Sherman. It has been the intent of this on-site evaluation to determine with the property owners the various information regarding the individual septic systems. On various occasions and with the means of a detailed questionnaire (See Appendix), LYCOTT was able to determine the following information.

1. Average distance of septic system from shore - 193.8 ft.
2. Average age of cottages - 28.4 yrs.
3. Average age of septic systems - 11.7 yrs.
4. Average number of residents - 3.3 people/household
5. Average number of weeks occupied - 35.5

Of these families surveyed, 57% indicated that they were year round residents.

No failing systems were observed by field investigation. Neither were there any reports of failing systems by any of the residents interviewed.



The number one complaint among the residents interviewed concerned the farm at the northeast corner of Lake Sherman. A general consensus of the residents was to eliminate cows from the pasture immediately adjacent to the lake. Another alternative may be to construct a "manure holding tank" similar to those used in Vermont.

The second most common complaint was that of excessive weeds, sedimentation (muck), and odor, which detracts greatly from the recreational potential of Lake Sherman. The residents of Lake Sherman feel that these problems are a direct result of manure and nutrients leeching into Lake Sherman from the farm.

It was also found that the majority of the Lake Sherman residents interviewed would be in favor of chemical treatment for the elimination of nuisance weeds, provided the treatments were done properly and effectively and not a repeat of the past treatment which was conducted in the 1960's.

### 3.0 Hydrologic Budget

#### Methodology

In order to estimate the components of the total hydrologic input to each pond, the following steps were taken:

1. An average precipitation for the year was obtained from data on file with the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).
2. The drainage area was delineated for the entire watershed. Surficial geology was obtained from Published data by J.S. Pomeroy, 1977.\* From this map, areas were determined by planimeter for drainage area, lake surface area, and stratified drift area.
3. Groundwater and surface water runoff was estimated with the aid of the "per cent stratified drift data" for each watershed. The governing equation is:

$$Y = 35\% + 0.6x$$

where Y = groundwater runoff as a percent of the total runoff

X = per cent of area underlain by stratified drift



Groundwater runoff as a percentage of total runoff is determined from the above equation. Thus, for 30% stratified drift, groundwater runoff is  $35\% + 30 \times 0.6 = 53\%$  (of total runoff). Total runoff was determined by calculating the total rainfall over land surface of the watershed, which was then corrected for evapotranspiration. Evapotranspiration over the land surface was used as 51% for low elevation and 49% for steep terrain.

4. Lake Evaporation was based on long-term evaporation rates for low elevations adjusted for surface water bodies. This evaporation rate was applied to the surface areas of Little Alum Pond, Sherman Pond, and Mill Pond.

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\* Pomeroy, J.S. 1977, Surficial Geologic Map of the Warren Quadrangle, Worcester, Hampden, and Hampshire Counties, South-Central Massachusetts. U.S.G.S. Geological Map GQ 1357.

\*\* Mazzaferro, D.L., Hardman, E.H., and Thomas, M.P. 1979 Water Resources of Connecticut, Part 8, U.S.G.S., Connecticut Water Resources Bulletin No. 27.

### Little Alum Pond

Water Input - Land Evap - Lake Evap =  
615,652,199 gallons - 257,966,356 gallons 33.091.580 =

Total Output  
324,594,263 gallons

Drainage Area = 504 Acres  
Pond Area = 73 Acres

Pond Volume = (Avg. depth 15')  
404,353,541 gallons

Flushing Rate = Pond volume/Output  
= 1.25 yr.

Retention Rate = Output/Pond volume  
= .80/yr.

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### Sherman Pond

Water input - Steep terrain evap - Low Land Evap -  
4,269,277,432 gal. - 1,785,055,117 gal. - 276,259,650 gal.

Lake Evap. = Total Output  
38,984,601 gal. = 2,168,978,064 gal.

Drainage Area = 3,494 acre  
Pond Area = 86 acre

Pond Volume = (Avg. depth 5')  
140,106,384 gallons

Flushing Rate = 15.48/yr.  
Retention Rate = 0.06/yr.

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### Mill Pond

Water Input - Steep Terrain Evap. - Lowland Evap.  
4,679,716,140 gal. - 1,928,446,263 gal. - 394,379,107 gal.

Lake Evap. = Total Output  
6,799,640 gal. 2,350,091,130 gal.

Drainage Area = 3,830 acre  
Pond area = 15 acre

Pond Volume = (Avg. depth 5')  
24,437,160 gallons

Flushing = 96.17/yr.\*  
Retention = 0.01/yr.

\*Lake floods during periods of high rainfall (maximum figure)

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## 4.0 LIMNOLOGICAL AND WATER QUALITY DATA FOR TRIBUTARIES AND OUTLETS

### 4.1 Sampling Stations and Methods

All tributaries, including ephemeral streams, were sampled monthly along with each outlet and in-lake station. The tributaries were sampled approximately five meters upstream from their confluence with their respective lakes. The outlets were sampled at their respective points of discharge from each of the lakes. Each in-lake station was sampled in the lake's deepest depression. Only in the in-lake stations were temperature and dissolved oxygen profiled in one meter increments. Also, only in the inlake station were sechi disk measurements taken. From each in-lake station a surface sample was taken, a bottom sample, and a composite. The bottom sample was taken with a Van Dorn sampling device. During the period when the in-lake station was stratified with respect to temperature, a sample was collected and analyzed from the metalimnion. A composite sample was made using equal amounts of surface, bottom, and metalimnion (when available) and analyzed for chlorophyll-a and phytoplankton only.

### 4.2. Lake Sherman - Water Quality Evaluation

As a result of the water sampling of Lake Sherman, graphs are presented to indicate the pictorial



representation of several of the more important tests that were performed during the study.

#### 4.2.1. Lake Sherman - Temperature Profile and Dissolved Oxygen

It can clearly be seen by the following graphs, that Lake Sherman did not stratify during the 1985 yearly sampling period.

#### 4.2.2. Lake Sherman - Total Coliform Bacteria

In general, the bacteria level for Lake Sherman and its tributaries stayed with State criteria of 1,000 organisms per 100 milliliters which has been established for swimming waters. Only on one occasion did this level become exceeded.

#### 4.2.3. Lake Sherman - Total Phosphorus

Due to the fact that it is the limited nutrient in Lake Sherman, the phosphorus load to the lake is the most important contributing factor for weed and algae growth. The results indicate that the water entering Lake Sherman from Sampling Station E (East Brook Watershed) contributes approximately 90% of the phosphorus in Lake Sherman.

#### 4.2.4. Lake Sherman - Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen

The nitrogen levels in all of the sampling stations involved in Lake Sherman fluctuated greatly during the study period. Again, East Brook tributary shows high levels during spring and summer months.

#### 4.2.5. Lake Sherman - Phytoplankton

As expected, the high density occurred during the summer months and indicates that algae blooms do occur even though a heavy macrophyte growth is present.

### 4.3 Little Alum - Water Quality Evaluation

Little Alum's water quality results are presented on the following pages in a graphic form.

#### 4.3.1. Little Alum - Dissolved Oxygen and Temperature Profile

Unlike Lake Sherman, results of the Dissolved Oxygen and Temperature profile of Little Alum clearly indicate that the pond stratifies with regard to dissolved oxygen and temperature. The lake un-stratified in October 1985.

#### 4.3.2 Little Alum - Coliform Bacteria

The coliform bacteria concentrations showed that on all occasions that the concentrations were well below 1,000 organisms per milliliter established by the State for swimming waters. These results also indicate that Little Alum's water is not drinkable during the spring, summer, and fall.

#### 4.3.3. Little Alum - Total Phosphorus

Sampling stations A and B which are the two tributaries to Little Alum indicate higher levels of phosphorus during the spring. Another peak in phosphorus concentrations occurs in the in-lake sampling station during September. This is probably due to the natural release of phosphorus from the aquatic plant life which occurs during the fall.

#### 4.3.4. Little Alum - Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen

Sampling Station A had high readings of nitrogen during all three sampling dates. Additional samples were not obtained from this tributary during the remainder of the study due to the fact that no water was flowing.

#### 4.4 Mill Pond - Water Quality Evaluation

##### 4.4.1 Mill Pond - Dissolved Oxygen - Temperature Profile

As is the case with Lake Sherman, Mill Pond does not stratify. Given the flow rates in Mill Pond, it would be practically impossible for this to occur.

##### 4.4.2. Mill Pond - Total Coliform Bacteria

Even though Mill Pond's watershed is extensive and has many potential sources of high bacteria, the pond and its tributary only exceeded the swimming water count for bacteria on one occasion during August. Generally speaking, the water in Mill Pond during 1985 was acceptable for swimming with regard to coliform bacteria.

##### 4.4.3. Mill Pond - Total Phosphorus

Sampling Station B showed a very high concentration of phosphorus during August. Otherwise, the phosphorus levels in Mill Pond and its tributary could be considered very low when compared to those found in Lake Sherman.

#### 4.4.4. Mill Pond - Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen

Amazingly, the Kjeldahl Nitrogen levels for three out of four stations in Mill Pond dropped to near zero in August. This was probably due to an up-take of nitrogen by plant life during the summer low flow period.

#### 4.5 Sediment Sampling

Each of the three Brimfield ponds was mapped to illustrate sediment depth. This was done by lowering a probe into the sediment until it met refusal (refusal usually being gravel or bedrock). The probing was carried out on a 100 foot grid system of each pond with a more concentrated profiling carried out in the coves area where "tongues" of sediment were found at the mouths of some tributaries (Lake Sherman T-1. and T-2).

A contour map of the sediments was drawn for each lake and chemical analyses were also run for the parameter agreed upon in the contract (See Fig. 3.).

The dredging criteria according to the Massachusetts Division of Water Pollution Control is included in Appendix A. and the results of the sediment analysis are presented in Figure \_\_\_\_.



### 5.3 Conclusions

Lake Sherman is a phosphorus limited aquatic systems. Calculation of phosphorus loading from different categories, as presented in Table 5-2, indicates the overwhelming importance of controlling the loading phosphorus of Tributary B. Over 90% of the phosphorus being delivered annually to the lake is from this source. This load of phosphorus enters the lake and provides the nutrient concentrations sufficient to support the current densities of aquatic macrophytes found in Lake Sherman. therefore, any attempt to reduce the nutrient responsible for the current level of plant growth should focus on phosphorus loading reductions. Reduction of this load will eventually reduce the overall productivity of the lake.

Further, an in-depth study of Tributary B must be pursued in order to identify the sources of phosphorus to the stream.

In addition, an accurate and complete analysis of phosphorus loading to Little alum and Mill Pond should be considered.

As reported, in the questionnaire analysis (See Section 2.6 ), there are no systems which are in the immediate vicinity of Lake Sherman. The soils and distance of systems in this watershed effectively remove phosphorus leachate components from these systems. Therefore, the loading from system leachate is estimated as zero.

### 6.0 Feasibility Analysis

As a result of the 10 month diagnostic study, it is obvious that the major source of problems in Lake Sherman is the watershed and nutrient loading from sedimentation. The following section of this report reviews the alternatives for lake management.

#### 6.1 Alternatives

Since Lake Sherman has a severe nuisance growth of aquatic weeds, this section focuses on in-lake management techniques for Lake Sherman. In the recent EPA Lake Restoration Evaluation Program report, an average of 2.3 restoration techniques was used per lake studied. This high rate is indicative of the complexity facing lake mangers. Several in-lake restoration alternatives will be considered for use in Lake Sherman, either individually or in concert. The following is a listing and a subsequent discussion of the alternative in-lake management methods for controlling aquatic nuisance weed growth in Lake Sherman. These include:

- Aeration
- Lake bottom sealing
- Biological substitution
- Nutrient Inactivation
- Management with grass carp
- Lake level drawdown
- Dredging
- Aquatic weed harvester
- Chemical herbicide

#### 6.1.1 Aeration

Aeration is a technique which is used in order to bring oxygen into anerobic bottom water. During our study of Lake Sherman, it was noted that no stratification occurred due to the shallow nature of the Lake Basin. Aeration in certain instances can be utilized in deeply stratified lakes to manage dissolved oxygen, odors, and nuisance growths of algae. In a shallow, unstratified lake such as Lake Sherman, which has heavy weed growth, aeration should not be considered viable for weed management purposes.

#### 6.2.1 Lake Bottom Sealing

This is an in-lake technique which controls the growth of vegetation from the lake sediments. Most commonly a layer of material such as fly ash is deposited into the lake. The material accumulates on the bottom, producing a barrier, to the transfer of nutrients from the sediments. These materials are difficult to work with and may severely disrupt the benthic organisms of a lake.

Other lake sediment sealing methods are available such as plastic screens that are designed specifically to allow gases to be released from the sediments while at the same time restricting the physical growth of the plants by reducing the source of light. This method is very expensive, in the neighborhood of \$3,000. to \$5,000. per acre. In addition, placing the screen in position on the lake bottom is very labor intensive and thereby very costly. The screening must be removed at least every two years and cleaned and replaced, otherwise a second growth of vegetation will occur on the surface of the screen. With the number of acres involved in Lake Sherman for weed management, it is impractical to consider sediment sealing as a viable option.



#### 6.1.3. Biological Substitution

Biological substitution is frequently used to replace one troublesome biological entity for another less troublesome entity. The major nuisance species in these lakes have never been successfully managed using this method.

#### 6.1.4. Nutrient Inactivation

This technique is designed to reduce the concentration of nutrients in the water column. It is useful for the control of algae in lakes. Aluminum sulfate (alum) is the most common chemical used for nutrient inactivation. The chemical forms a flocculant with the phosphorus in the water column, thus precipitating the nutrient to the bottom. The reduction of available phosphorus in the water column of a phosphorus limited pond is an effective method for control of the phytoplankton community in the water column. The alum is applied to the surface of the lake using a power boat and pumping system. As the floc settles to the bottom, it forms a layer on the sediment which will also reduce the release of nutrients from the sediment. This technique has been shown to be effective for a period of one to three years. It has also proven to be effective in controlling the water column phosphorus concentrations and reducing the internal cycling of nutrients from the sediment surface. These are valuable for managing lakes with high densities of algae. If in the future after the nuisance aquatic vegetative growth has been removed from Lake Sherman, alum treatment to control algae maybe necessary. The use of alum to manage aquatic macropyhte growth is not a viable option.

#### 6.1.5. Weed Control with Sterile Grass Carp

Recently a sterile breed of weed-eating carp has been successfully used in southern states. However, the Massachusetts Fish and Wildlife Department has been unwilling to test and license the introduction of this fish to the state. Indications are that a trial of this fish is still a few years away. The State is watching a test in Walton Lake, Monroe, New York. Eventually this fish may become available and be implemented in the overall management plan for Lake Sherman, but for now this is impossible.

#### 6.1.6. Drawdown

Drawdown is a technique used to consolidate sediments and to reduce microphyte populations. This is accomplished through reducing the lake level to expose the sediment to air drying and freeze-thaw cycles. The outlet configuration on Lake





Sherman is very restrictive in allowing the lake's level to be drawn down anymore than two feet. It would be greatly beneficial to the long term management of the lake if an annual drawdown could be conducted whereby the level of the lakes's water could be lowered four to six feet.

#### 6.1.7. Dredging

Dredging of bottom sediments from a pond or lake is a successful long-term method of a.) enhancing recreational potential through the physical removal of nuisance aquatic microphytes and a deepening of shallow waters, and b.) the removal of nutrient-rich organic sediments.

Hydraulic or mechanical dredging of an estimated 806,667 cubic yards (in-place) of sediments from Lake Sherman, followed by dredge spoil disposal and/or utilization is evaluated herein as a rehabilitation alternative in light of the physical characteristics, sediment and water quality conditions, and potential recreational use benefits.

Due to the fact that Lake Sherman has a tremendous nutrient "sink", i.e., sediments, it would be greatly beneficial if the Town and/or the Lake Association could conduct a hydraulic or mechanical removal of much of the sediment in Lake Sherman. The purpose for the dredging project should be not only to remove the organics from the lake but to ultimately have the bottom of the lake configured in such a manner that the phototrophic zone is minimized (the phototrophic zone is the area where light can penetrate a depth where it reaches the bottom of the pond and allows aquatic weed growth). Obviously this would be a major portion of lake Sherman's sediment due to the fact that most of the lake is less than 10 feet in depth. If a thorough sediment removal is completed on Lake Sherman sometime in the future, along with sedimentation and nutrient control in the watershed, it should be quite easy and inexpensive to manage the resultant microphyte growth. Until the dredging project has been completed, there will always have to be a relatively expensive annual in-lake microphyte management program. Due to the heavy nutrient recycling in the lake and the shallowness of the lake, there will always be a considerable amount of aquatic vegetative growth, even if a nutrient input from other sources is reduced to near zero. The cost for dredging is very expensive, especially when the sediment removal cannot be performed after the drainage of the water from the lake. Unfortunately, it appears to be virtually impossible to seriously consider draining the water from Lake Sherman. Therefor hydraulic dredging is probably the only viable alternative. Hydraulic dredging cost in the neighborhood of between \$400. to \$800. per cubic yard for removal and disposal. Therefore the cost to remove the





desired volume of sediments from Lake Sherman might cost between three to six million dollars. Unfortunately, until the Town is able to procure State or Federal funding, it is highly unlikely that dredging can ever be accomplished unless private industry finds an economical need for the highly organic material. The analysis of the sediment in Lake Sherman meets the Dredge Category 2 as established by the Department of Water Pollution Control. Therefore, the material can be utilized for practically any purposes including agriculture. (See Table 1-1, Results of Sediment Analysis)

The dredging of sediments in Mill Pond will also have to be seriously considered. Eventually, Mill Pond will be almost completely full of sediment as time progresses, especially if further land clearing and its associated soil erosion occurs. Mill Pond will be much easier and less expensive to conduct sediment removal than Lake Sherman. This is due to the fact that Mill Pond does have an outlet structure that will allow most if not all of the Pond to be drained and to be dry dredged. For any dredging project, further analysis, engineer plans, and State and local permits would need to be acquired.

#### 6.1.8 Aquatic Weed Harvesting

There are two basic methods of harvesting aquatic plants. The hydro-rake is a machine which is basically the arm of a backhoe with a rake attached and the whole system mounted on pontoons. The benefits of the hydro-rake are that you will be able to remove not only the plant, but its root system and some of the sediment. There are a number of drawbacks to hydro-raking and they include the following:

- a. Costs approximately \$800. - \$1,500. per acre.
- b. Limited in the depth that can be hydro-raked to about 10'.
- c. Stirs up sediment and water transparency drops to near zero.
- d. Because of water turbulence, large areas of weeds can be missed.
- e. Lots of fragmentation occurs thus allowing weed fragments to float around the lake.
- f. Additional costs are required to clean up fragments on a daily basis.
- g. Harvested material must be removed from shoreline on a daily basis and can be used for organic mulching.

A mechanical harvester is the other major piece of equipment utilized to manage aquatic weeds. Harvesters are designed to cut and pick up the weeds and then carry them to shore for off-loading. Harvesting is very effective in opening up a water body for recreational usage. When compared to some methods, it is reasonably cost effective. Another benefit of weed harvesting is the fact that you are removing nutrients from the lake that would otherwise be subject to build up in the sediment. The cost of aquatic weed harvesting normally requires a mobilization and de-mobilization fee of between \$1,000. to \$2,000. and a range of cost for harvesting the weeds for between \$400. and \$500. per acre. Some of the drawbacks to aquatic weed harvesting are as follows:

- a. Considerable number of fish killed.
- b. Harvesting needs to be done at least once and in most instances twice a year.
- c. Harvesting equipment cannot harvest any more than 5 to 6 ft. in depth.
- d. Machine cannot harvest weeds close to shore or where docks, boats, stumps, or rock might interfere.
- e. In harvesting there is a considerable amount of fragmented weed matter that collects along the shoreline.
- f. Harvested material must be removed from shoreline on a daily basis and can be used for organic mulching.

#### 6.1.9 Chemical Weed Management

The most widely utilized method for aquatic weed management is chemical herbicides. They are relatively inexpensive (when compared to other methods) and are very effective. Milfoil is especially susceptible to several aquatic herbicides and in most instances, more than one year of effective management can be realized with one treatment. With chemical herbicides not only is the plant killed, but the root system is also destroyed, thus discouraging re-growth. The use of herbicides can be selective not only in area, but also in the species that are affected. Chemical treatment must be conducted in accordance to regulations and by a responsible licensed professional. If the treatment is done properly, no fish or other aquatic organisms should be killed other than the target plant. Another benefit of chemical management is the fact there would be no



fragmentation of plants. The cost per chemical herbicide treatment is between \$250. to \$500. per acre. Some of the drawbacks to chemical herbicide management are as follows:

- a. Questionable subtle long term effects to the environment.
- b. The possibility of contamination to existing or potential drinking water supplies.
- c. Weed mass and associated nutrients are allowed to accumulate in the sediments.

## 7.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

### 7.1 In-lake Alternatives

#### 7.1.1. Lake Sherman

It is recommended that aquatic weed harvesting be undertaken at Lake Sherman during the spring and summer of 1986. The primary reason for harvesting as a means of management is due to the fact that there has been a considerable amount of objections raised by local residents with regards to the chemical management option. There are private wells associated down stream from the lake and are in fact connected hydrologically with the lake and its outlet water. As a result of this situation, the Town during 1985 decided that aquatic weed harvesting was preferred over the other viable alternative of chemical management. The cost for the harvesting will of course depend upon how much of the lake is harvested. For example, if the Town and/or Lake Association decides to harvest 50 acres once during the summer of 1986, cost would run approximately \$20,000. This fee would not include removal and disposal of the harvested weeds. It is also recommended that sediment removal be contemplated as a long term management tool. The Town should consider financial options for saving money to eventually undertake a thorough dredging project of Lake Sherman.

#### 7.1.2 Mill Pond

It is suggested that Mill Pond continue to be drawn down at least once a year to allow for the disruption of aquatic vegetative growth and to assist in flushing the nutrients and sediments from the pond. Eventually, the Town will have to seriously consider dredging Mill Pond to remove the accumulated sediment.



### 7.1.3. Little Alum

As previously stated in this report, Little Alum should have a thorough diagnostic/feasibility study which would address in more detail the various aspects of a nutrient budget. More specifically, a thorough evaluation of the septic systems' impact on the overall nutrient budget of Little Alum must be assessed. Continuous monitoring of water quality and nutrient levels of Little Alum should be continued. One of the most important functions that should be undertaken by the Town and/or Lake Association is to have a professional biologist conduct an annual macrophyte mapping of the lake. The mapping of the aquatic weeds should begin quickly (1986) due to the fact that milfoil has been identified as growing in Little Alum. This species has a propensity for spreading and infestating ponds and lakes at a tremendous rate (one to three years). There may be an opportunity, if dealt with quickly enough, to forestall the spreading of milfoil in Little Alum and hopefully eradicate it. Additionally, biological surveys on an annual basis should be conducted to monitor milfoil and other nuisance plant species.

## 7.2 Watershed Management

### 7.2.1 Lake Sherman

As a result of our diagnostic study, it is very clear that the major contribution of nutrients to Lake Sherman is the quality of water entering Lake Sherman from East Brook and its watershed. (See Figure 3.) With the limited sampling that has been conducted with this study, it is unclear whether the agriculture activities alone in the watershed can be held responsible for the high levels of nutrients. Further sampling should be undertaken both at the outlet of East Brook and at various other locations in the watershed over a period of time. The sample program should at least continue from early spring to late fall and include nitrate nitrogen, total Kjeldahl nitrogen, total phosphorus, and coliform bacteria. This sampling program should indicate whether or not there are specific areas of the watershed that are responsible for the nutrient loading. The Town, together with the agriculture people involved with East Brook watershed, should request the U.S. Soil Conservation Service (Holden, MA) for assistance in helping to implement methods that will reduce nutrient loading to the brook. Other watershed management practices are also needed to manage soil erosion, septic system nutrient loading, and increased surface water runoff.

### 7.2.2. Mill Pond

Mill Pond drains a vast watershed and from a previous study which LYCOTT has conducted (Hazardous Waste Plant - Geohydrological Study) LYCOTT identified that one of the only viable aquifers that Brimfield has is in the center of Town and is associated with the Mill Pond and its watershed. If the Town of Brimfield ever expects to have a viable municipal drinking water supply, then this aquifer will probably be its only source. Therefore stringent zoning, land use, and Board of Health regulations must be evaluated to protect this natural resource. If the watershed for Mill Pond is not protected, then the sediment rate for Mill Pond will increase greatly and the Town will find itself with a pond that has completely filled with sediment.

### 7.2.3 Little Alum

Of the three bodies of water conducted in this study, Little Alum watershed is the smallest and therefore has the greatest potential for management. The majority of the watershed is now wooded and undeveloped and both the Town and Lake residents must make a concerted effort to maintain this condition. Since the hydrological flush rate (1.25 years) of Little Alum is so low, any action that occurs in the watershed that ultimately discharges nutrients to Little Alum will have a chance to stay in the Lake and be absorbed by vegetative growth. Of prime importance to the long term management of Little Alum lake quality is the lake residents cooperation in using non-phosphorus detergents and soaps, not allowing the washing of boats, or vehicles with the lake's water, and cutting back on, or totalling limiting any fertilizers on lawns or gardens within 50 ft. of the shoreline. The Town of Brimfield should seriously pursue together with the Lake Association a comprehensive diagnostic/feasibility study with specific focus of this study on evaluating septic systems and their impact on the lake.





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**TOWN OF BRIMFIELD**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**  
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**TOWN WARRANT**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Hampden, ss.

TO THE TOWN CLERK OF BRIMFIELD, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield on MONDAY, the NINETEENTH day of MAY 1986 at TWELVE (12) o'clock noon to act on the following:

To give their votes to the election of officers on one ballot for the following Town Officers: One Moderator, three Selectmen, one Assessor, one Elementary School Committee member, one Tantasqua School Committee member, one Board of Health member, one Cemetery Commission member, one Housing Authority member, two Library Trustees, one Tree Warden, one Trustee--Harriet Harding Fund, one Planning Board member, and one Trustee--Lincoln Library Fund.

The polls will open at TWELVE (12) o'clock noon and will close at EIGHT (8) o'clock in the evening. All business of said meeting except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot shall be considered after SEVEN (7) o'clock in the evening on MONDAY, the TWELVETH day of MAY 1986 to act on the following:

**Article 1:** To hear reports of the officers and agents heretofore chosen by the Town and take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 2:** To see what salaries the Town will allow its officers for the ensuing year. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 3:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for various departments and activities of the Town, payment of debts, and defraying of expenses of the ensuing twelve months of July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987 and direct how the same shall be expended or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)



**Article 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay unpaid bills or overdrawn accounts for fiscal 1985 or to take any other action thereon.

**Article 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay unpaid bills or overdrawn accounts for fiscal 1986 or to take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 6:** To see whether the town will authorize the treasurer to enter into compensating balance agreements during fiscal year 1987, as permitted by General Laws Chapter 44 Section 53F, or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Treasurer)

**Article 7:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for banking services related to the monies managed by the treasurer, or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Treasurer)

**Article 8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, take from Revenue Sharing or transfer from available funds the sum of \$10,000.00 to purchase a new sander body for the Highway Department or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Highway Department)

**Article 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,905.00 to be used in conjunction with and in addition to any funds allotted by the Commonwealth and/or county for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads, or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Highway Department)

**Article 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, take from Revenue Sharing or transfer from available funds the sum of \$20,000.00 to purchase a used diesel cab and chassis for the Highway Department or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Highway Department)

**Article 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, take from Revenue Sharing or transfer from available funds the sum of \$10,000.00 to purchase a new brush chipper or the sum of \$8,000.00 to purchase a used brush chipper for the Highway Department or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Highway Department and the Tree Warden)

**Article 12:** To see if the town will vote the following addition to the by-laws:

#### **\*Article XIV**

Section 1. All non-school department employees of the town of Brimfield are granted the following paid holidays:

New Year's Day, Martin Luther King's Day, Presidents' Day, Patriots' Day,

Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

Furthermore, if the holiday falls on a weekend the following Monday will be the paid holiday."

Or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 13:** To see if the town will vote the following addition to the by-laws:

**\*Article XIV**

Section 2. All non-school department employees of the town of Brimfield are granted 5 paid vacation days per year after one year, 10 paid vacation days per year after 5 years, and 15 paid vacation days per year after 10 years."

Or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 14:** To see if the town will vote the following addition to the by-laws:

**\*Article XIV**

Section 3.

(Paragraph one) For employees who are currently in town service, who work at least 20 hours per week in town service on a regular basis, and during the fiscal year who earn at least 75% of the state minimum wage multiplied by 1,040 in salary, wages, and/or fees from the town of Brimfield, fifty percent (50%) of the cost of the premiums for the Brimfield Blue Cross/Blue Shield plan will be paid by the town. This includes all elected and appointed officials and employees in all departments.

(Paragraph two) Any person who does not meet any of the qualifications to be on the Brimfield Blue Cross/Blue Shield plan, but is an elected official, appointed official, or employee or a former elected official, appointed official, or employee of the town of Brimfield, and desires to be on the plan, may at the discretion of the Brimfield Board of Selectmen have an article placed on the warrant at any annual town meeting requesting that they be placed on the plan. If the article passes, they will be required to pay one-hundred percent (100%) of the cost of the premiums.

(Paragraph three) As of January 1, 1986, the only exceptions to the above are Mary Goodrich, Julie Spooner, and Lyman Stanton, Sr.

(Paragraph four) This resolution takes effect on July 1, 1986."

Or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)



**Article 15:** To see if the town will vote to accept the following by-law:

**"Article XIX**

Section 4. All non-school department employees of the town of Brimfield are granted up to 5 paid sick days per year with no retention of unused sick days from year to year. "

Or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 16:** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$6,927.08 for the Circuit Rider Salary Account and \$2,000.00 for the Circuit Rider Expense Account for FY 1987 or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 17:** To see what disposition the Town will make of any county dog related reimbursements for the fiscal period July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987 or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 18:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of Revenue in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1986 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4 and to issue a note or notes payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 57, or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Treasurer)

**Article 19:** To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements of allotments by the State and County for highways including bridges or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Treasurer)

**Article 20:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice in some convenient public place of the Town, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town upon tax title procedure provided that Selectmen, or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such a public auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Treasurer and the Tax Collector)

**Article 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from available funds in the treasury a sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of a fire detector system in the Town Hall or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Fire Department)



**Article 23:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the parking ticket clerk revolving fund the balance of the account to the General Fund for the purpose of lowering the tax rate or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 24:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Flea Market Revolving Account the sum of \$15,000.00 to the Flea Market Public Safety Account and to transfer the balance to the General Fund for the purpose of lowering the tax rate or take any other thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 25:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,000.00 for Tri-Link, Inc. of Southbridge, Massachusetts in support of counseling and related services to be provided to Brimfield children and families for the next year or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 26:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer the sum of \$            for the construction of a handicap ramp on the Town Hall as outlined in the proposed plan or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 27:** To see if the Town will vote to establish a position of Accounting Clerk/Secretary under the direction of the Board of Selectmen and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,500.00 as a salary for this position or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 28:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of a telephone system in the Town Hall or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 29:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$7500 for an audit of the Town's books in order to comply with the Revenue Sharing Single Audit Act of 1984 or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 30:** To see if the Town will amend the Town By-laws **Article 1, Section 5** by adding the following words: "The By-law Committee shall hold a public hearing not less than seven days before any town meeting having by-law articles, excepting zoning; notice for public hearing to be posted in at least five public places in the town not less than seven days in advance of hearing." - or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 31:** To see if the town will amend the Town By-laws **Article 11, Sections 1 and 2** by deleting the words "... and the Annual Town Election shall be held on the third Monday of May in each year." from **Section 1** and moving the same words to the beginning of **Section 2**, or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 32:** To see if the town will amend the Town By-laws **Article II, Section 3** by adding the words "; five members of the Planning Board for five years each, one to be elected annually." - or take any other action thereon. ( Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 33:** To see if the town will amend the Town By-laws **Article VII, Section 2** by deleting the words, "on or before the fifteenth day of July each year." and inserting in their place the words "on or before the 31st day of January, for the calendar year preceding. Boards, departments, committees, and officers that exceeded appropriations falling within their jurisdiction for the previous fiscal year will state amounts overdrawn." - or take any other action thereon. ( Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 34:** To see if the town will amend the Town By-laws, **Article VII, Section 3** by inserting after the words "in the financial year next preceding" the words "and from 1 July to 31 December of the current fiscal year," or take any other action thereon. ( Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 35:** To see if the town will amend the Town By-laws by striking from **Article II, Section 5** the words, "and ninety days after the end of the fiscal year, a copy of the Town Report shall be made available to each registered voter of the Town" and adding to **Article VII, Section 4**, the words, "At least seven days before the day fixed in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, the Selectmen shall cause to be mailed to each occupied dwelling in the town a copy of the Town Report." - or take any other action thereon. ( Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 36:** To see if the town will amend the Town By-laws **Article VII, Section 6** by adding the words, "These publications will also be kept by the Town Clerk and made available for a fee to defray printing costs, or take any other action thereon. ( Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 37:** To see if the town will amend the Town By-laws **Article VIII, Section 2h** by changing the title from "Public Health" and "Health and Safety" and by numbering the first, existing paragraph "(1)" and adding the following new subparagraphs:

(2) Flea Market operators/owners will provide toilet, handwashing, and drinking water facilities in accordance with regulations provided by the Board of Health.

(3) Licensed Emergency Medical Technicians will remain on duty during daylight operation of the Flea Market at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen; cost to be borne by the Flea Market operators/owners.



(4) A fire-fighting team will remain on duty during operation of the Flea Market at the discretion of the Fire Chief, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen; cost to be borne by Flea Market operators/owners.

(5) Flea Market operators/owners will provide fire and emergency access lanes at the discretion of the Fire Chief.

(6) Flea Market operators/owners will provide fifteen feet of depth along and adjacent to the public right of ways for pedestrian traffic.

(7) Flea Market merchants, who are permitted by the town to do business, shall be allowed to remain overnight in their vehicles on the grounds of a flea market operator/owner for the purpose of protecting their wares for a period not to exceed seven consecutive days at flea markets and not more than three flea markets in any calendar year. Any flea market operator/owner who allows merchants to remain overnight on his premises must maintain adequate sanitary facilities and dumping stations under jurisdiction of the Board of Health, or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 38:** To see if the town will allow trailers at flea markets by amending **Zoning By-law VII**, adding the following subsection:

**VII-C.** The provisions of **VII-A** shall not apply to licensed vendors on flea market grounds in a business zone for a period not to exceed seven consecutive days three times per year.

Or take any other action thereon.

(Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 39:** To see if the town will vote to bring the size of the Business District into closer relationship to the size of the population, define the depth of the Business District, and lessen the effect of "strip zoning" by making the following changes in the Zoning Map of Brimfield which was accepted by the Town Meeting of May 8, 1978:

a. The depth of the Business District is defined, wherever it exists, as 500 feet from the property line on the north and south sides of Route 20, with the exception of the existing greater depths on the south side of Route 20 between Wales and Holland Roads and lesser depth on land abutting property owned by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the United States government.

b. The Business District along both sides of Route 20 from the Monson-Brimfield town line to the intersection with the west side of Prospect Hill Road and the point directly opposite is changed to Agricultural-Residential.

c. The Business District along both sides of Route 20 from the Army Corps. of Engineers marker EBL 547 65797 on the north side and the point directly opposite in the vicinity of the Springfield Boys Club to state highway marker B 370 on the south side and the point directly opposite in



the vicinity of Squires Inn is changed to Agricultural-Residential.

Or take any other action thereon.

(Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 40:** To see if the town will change the Zoning By-law to remove educational uses from the permitted uses in the Residential and Agricultural-Residential Districts and authorize them as specially permitted used by adopting the following amendment:

In IV-A.1.b remove the word "education and the comma which precedes it. In IV-A.2 insert a third use: "c. Educational use."  
In IV-B.2 insert: "f. Educational use."

Or take any other action thereon.

(Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 41:** To see if the town will increase the minimum lot dimension by adopting the following amendment to the Zoning By-law:

In the tables in V-A and V-B, the area figures 43,560 and 62,500 wherever they appear, are to be replaced by 87,120. The frontage figures of 125 and 150, wherever they appear, are to be replaced by 200.

Or take any other action thereon.

(Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 42:** To see if the town will provide increased setbacks by adopting the following amendment to **Article III**, Zoning By-law:

In the tables in **Sections U-A** and **U-B** change the minimum front, side, and rear yard dimensions to 60, 30 (40 in the Industrial District), and 40 respectively. In **UI-B**, change the heading from "Accessory Buildings" to "Accessory and Agricultural Buildings". Add a new paragraph: "**UI-B. 2.** Any building designed or used for agricultural purposes shall be located no nearer than 60 feet to a public way and 40 feet to a property line."

Or take any other action thereon.

(Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 43:** To see if the town will vote to apply Intensity Regulations to buildings (such as schools, hospitals, churches, etc.) not now regulated in the Residential and the Agricultural-Residential Districts by adopting the following changes to the Zoning By-law:

(a) In **U-B** after the word "structure" insert "other than a dwelling". Strike the words "a Business or Industrial District" and replace with "any District".

(b) In the table in **U-B**, add lines for two more Districts, one for Residence, another for Agricultural-Residence, the

minimum and maximums for each column to be exactly the same as in the table in **IV-A**, with the exception that there are no floor area requirements.

Or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 44:** To see if the town will vote to require that each building be on a lot which has its own private driveway to a public way or a way in an approved sub-division and that driveways in required sideyards serve only dwellings by adopting the following addition to the Zoning By-law:

In **Section VI**, add a new subparagraph:

**VI-F. Driveway Regulations**

1. All buildings hereinafter erected (except accessory buildings) shall be on lots which have their own private driveways to a public way.
2. Driveways for the use of any for-profit enterprise shall not be located in required sideyards.

Or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 45:** To see if the town will vote to take from the Board of Appeals the power to allow business and industrial uses in the Flood District by adopting the following amendment to the Zoning By-law:

In **VI-C Flood Plain Restrictions**, change "as set forth in Sections **IV-A** through **IV-D**" to "as set forth in Sections **IV-A** and **IV-B**"

Or take any other action thereon.  
(Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)

**Article 46:** To see if the town will vote to reduce the size of free-standing signs from 50 square feet to 25 square feet and re-define the setbacks of such signs by adopting the following changes to Section **VI-E.2.e.** of the Zoning By-law:

- (a) Strike "neither sign to exceed fifty (50) square feet or" and replace with the words "signs on buildings not to exceed fifty (50) square feet and free-standing signs not to exceed twenty-five (25) square feet, neither class to".
- (b) Strike "not closer than thirty-five (35) feet to the center line of a travelled way" and replace with the words "not closer than fifteen (15) feet to the edge of a travelled way".

(Sponsored by the Special Blue Ribbon By-Law Committee)



**Article 47:** To see if the town will vote to adopt the following By-law regulating mass gatherings, to be known as **Article XIV** of the Town By-laws:

I. PURPOSE: To protect the public health and safety, to relieve traffic congestion, to prevent disease and illness, to prevent vehicular accidents and bodily injury, and to promote the general welfare of residents and visitors.

II. DEFINITION: A mass gathering is any outdoor public event which, in the opinion of the Board of Selectmen, is likely to be attended by a total of 300 or more people in its permitted duration and to continue for four hours or more.

III. REGULATIONS:

1. If food or beverage is served, a common victualer's license must be obtained from the Board of Health.

2. Licensed Emergency Medical Technicians shall be on the premises of a mass gathering at such times and in such numbers as shall be directed by the Board of Selectmen.

3. An officer satisfactory to the Chief of Police, paid by the mass gathering operator, shall be on duty to control traffic at all entrances and exits to mass gatherings, unless other arrangements satisfactory to the Chief of Police have been made. Officers directing traffic at mass gatherings shall give priority to through traffic.

4. Fifty percent of the area on which a mass gathering is to be held shall be reserved for visitor parking.

5. Toilet and handwashing facilities shall be provided at a rate set by the Board of Health.

6. Drinking water, with quantity and quality satisfactory to the Board of Health, shall be provided.

7. All buildings and tents on a mass-gathering site shall have at least one fire extinguisher of a type and condition satisfactory to the Fire Chief.

8. All wiring and electrical service shall be satisfactory to the Electrical Inspector under current codes.

9. Sites of mass gatherings shall be buffered from public rights of way by a strip of land fifteen feet deep which contains no structures (other than fences), merchandise, vehicles, or persons (other than those entering or exiting).

10. The number of persons on the site shall not exceed the number in the permit application.



#### IV. ENFORCEMENT:

1. The Board of Health, Fire Chief, Police Chief, Building Inspector, Electrical Inspector, Board of Selectmen, and/or their agents, shall have access at all reasonable times to mass gatherings.
2. No person shall hold a mass gathering unless a permit has been issued under this law. Applications shall be made at least 45 days prior to the event.
3. Applications for permits shall contain: (a) the name, age, residence, mailing address and telephone number of the applicant; (b) a statement of the applicant's legal status, such as individual, partnership, corporation, etc.; (c) the location and legal description of the property where the event is proposed; (d) a plot plan of the property showing area, dimensions, the area reserved for visitor parking, the location and number of toilets, drinking water and handwashing facilities, water supply sources, and fire extinguishers; (e) the total number of persons to be allowed on the site, including staff, at any one time, which shall be determined by dividing the square footage of the premises (excluding buildings and parking areas) by fifty; (f) a list of the steps the applicant has taken to comply with the regulations of Section III.
4. The Board of Selectmen shall grant a permit when satisfied that provision for meeting the requirements of this By-law have been made. Permits may be automatically renewed by the Selectmen for additional gatherings within the calendar year without new applications, provided there have been no violations.
5. Any violation of this By-law shall be cause for the police to deny access to the premises, acting either on their own authority or at the request of any of the officials listed in paragraph IV.1.
6. Violations of this By-law may also be punished in court by a fine of \$200 per day.

or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by George Gross)

**Article 48:** To see if the town will vote to accept a Professional Development Grant for the Tantasqua Regional District payable on February 15, 1986, August 15, 1986, February 15, 1987 and August 15, 1987, for the purpose of increasing teacher compensation under the provisions of Section 13 of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. (Sponsored by the Tantasqua Regional School Committee)

**Article 49:** To see if the town will vote to accept a Professional Development Grant for the Brimfield Elementary School payable on February 15, 1986, August 15, 1986, February 15, 1987 and August 15, 1987, for the purpose of increasing teacher compensation under the provisions of Section 13 of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. (Sponsored by the Brimfield Elementary School Committee)

**Article 50:** To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Educational Opportunity Grant for fiscal year 1987 in the amount of \$28,200.00 under the provisions of G.L. Chapter 70A, Section 5, as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant shall be expended by the School Committee for direct service expenditures. (Sponsored by the Tantasqua Regional School Committee)

**Article 51:** To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Educational Opportunity Grant for fiscal year 1987 in the amount of \$1,190.00 under the provisions of G.L. Chapter 70A, Section 5, as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant shall be expended by the School Committee for direct service expenditures. (Sponsored by the Brimfield Elementary School Committee)

**Article 52:** To see if the town will direct the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to enact the following special legislation strictly to the terms petitioned for by the town meeting excepting editorial and technical corrections:

"A bill providing for the establishment and administration of rent regulations and the control of evictions in mobile home park accommodations in the Town of Brimfield."

Section 1. Declaration of Emergency. The General Court finds and declares that a serious public emergency exists with respect to the housing of a substantial number of citizens in the Town of Brimfield, which emergency has been created by excessive, abnormally high and unwarranted rental increases imposed by some owners of mobile parks located therein; that unless mobile home park rents and eviction of tenants are regulated and controlled, such emergency will produce serious threats to the public health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of said town, particularly the elderly; that such emergency should be met by the Commonwealth immediately and with due regard for the rights and responsibilities of the Town of Brimfield.

Section 2. General Powers. The Town of Brimfield may, by its By-laws, regulate rents for the use or occupancy of mobile home park accommodations in said town, establish a rent board for the purpose of regulating rents, minimum standards for use or occupancy of mobile home park accommodations and eviction of tenants therefrom and may, by its By-laws, require registration by owners of mobile home park accommodations, under penalty of perjury, of information relating to the mobile home park accommodations. Such rents, standards and evictions may be regulated by the rent board so as to remove hardships or correct inequities for both the owner and the tenants of such mobile home park accommodations. Said rent board shall have all powers necessary or convenient to perform its functions, may make rules and regulations, require registration by owners of mobile home park accommodations, under penalty of perjury, of information relating to the mobile park accommodations, sue and be sued, compel the attendance of persons and the production of papers and information, and issue appropriate orders





which shall be binding on both the owner and tenants of such mobile home park accommodations. Violations of any By-laws adopted pursuant to this act or any order of said rent board shall be punishable by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars for any one offense.

Section 3. Standard for Adjusting Rents. (a) In regulating rents, for such mobile home park accommodations, the rent board established under section one may make such individual or general adjustments, either upward or downward, as may be necessary to assure that rents for mobile home park accommodations in said town are established at levels which yield to owners a fair net operating income for such units. Fair net operating income shall be that income which will yield a return, after all reasonable operating expenses, on the fair market value of the property equal to the debt service rate generally available from institutional first mortgage lenders or such other rates of return as the board, on the basis of evidence presented before it deems more appropriate to the circumstances of the case. The fair market value of the property shall be the assessed valuation of the property or such other valuation as the board, on the basis of evidence presented before it, deems more appropriate to the circumstances of the case.

(b) Said town in its By-laws or said rent board by regulation may establish further standards and rules consistent with this act.

Section 4. Incorporation of Administrative Procedure Act. The provisions of Chapter 30A of the General Laws shall be applicable to the rent board, established under section one, as if said rent board were an agency of the Commonwealth, including those provisions giving agencies the power to issue, vacate, modify and enforce subpoenas, and those provisions relating to judicial review of an agency order.

Section 5. Conference of Jurisdiction. (a) The eastern Hampden division of the district court department shall have original jurisdiction, concurrently with the superior court, of all petitions for review brought pursuant to section fourteen of Chapter 30A of the General Laws.

(b) The superior court shall have jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this act and any By-laws adopted thereunder and may restrain violations thereof.

Section 6. Defense to Summary Process for Possession. The Town of Brimfield may by its By-laws regulate the eviction of tenants and the rent board, established under section one, may issue orders which shall be a defense to an action of summary process for possession and such orders shall be reviewable pursuant to sections two and three.

Section 7. Exemption from Civil Service. The personnel of the rent board established under section one shall not be subject to the provisions of section 9A of Chapter 30 of the General Laws or of Chapter 31 of the General Laws.

Section 8. Severability. If any provision of this act or the application of



such provision to any person or circumstances shall be held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this act and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Section 9. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Or take any other action thereon.

(Sponsored by Meadowbrook Acres Tenant Association)

**Article 53:** To see if the town will accept the following:

Amendment No. \_\_\_\_ To  
The Agreement Establishing  
The Tantasqua Regional School District

The Agreement establishing the Tantasqua Regional School District, as heretofore amended, is hereby further amended by striking out Section IV and inserting in its place the following section:--

**IV. Transportation**

For fiscal years commencing on or after July 1, 1986, school transportation to and from the regional school district shall be furnished by the Regional School District and the cost thereof shall constitute part of its operating costs. The Regional District School Committee will, if petitioned to do so, contract with any one or more or with a group of Participating Towns for the furnishing of all or part of the transportation requirements of the District for pupils residing in such Participating Town.

**Article 54:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to contract with HERCO Development Associates, Limited Partnership or nominees thereof for the disposal of solid waste, which contract will (1) be for a term of twenty years, more or less; (2) include provisions for the delivery of minimum amounts of acceptable waste and payments for the services provided to be based in part thereon; (3) provide for prices for the disposal of acceptable waste that will vary from time-to-time in accordance with the provisions of the contract and will be adjusted by certain credits derived from the sale of steam, electricity and other revenues; (4) provide for similar commitments by other communities; (5) contain other provisions incidental and related to the foregoing matters; and (6) be generally in the form of a proposed contract negotiated by representatives of the Town and HERCO Development Associates, Limited Partnership, with such charges therein as may be approved by said Board of Selectmen, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Town Clerk; or take any other action in relation thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 55:** To see if the Town will vote to rescind the directions given to a Map Commission created at the Special Town Meeting of October 15, 1985, in that they did not conform with the procedure required by Chapter 40A for zoning changes and would be costly to implement, and replace



them with new directions to make the roads, streams, and bodies of water on the official town map and official zoning map conform to those of the latest quadrangle maps of Brimfield published by the U.S. Geological Survey; and further direct the Commission to work with Planning Board and employ a certified engineer, and authorize it to work photographically, by hand, or both, from either the existing official maps or certified copies. The final versions of each map, when signed and certified by the Commission and the engineer to be in the fulfillment of this article, are to be the official maps to the extent previous town meeting have not acted otherwise with respect to specific roads and property. Said versions are to be turned over to the Town Clerk for safekeeping prior to the Commission's expiration, which is extended to the date of the annual town meeting of 1987. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 56:** To see if the town will vote a sum of money (\$ ) to accomplish the work of the Map Commission in the previous article and to make any necessary mylars, master negatives, etc. which will provide the potential to print map copies for town officials and residents. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 57:** To see if the town will vote to have any elected or appointed official or officer who fails to attend 3 out of 4 consecutively called meeting of their Board, Committee, or Commission (with the exception of a major medical problem) shall be deemed to have resigned, and their office shall be declared to be vacant, and shall be filled as prescribed by law or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 58:** To see if the town will vote the following addition to the by-laws:

"No alteration of any land within the boundaries of a public way shall be made for driveways, private ways, or otherwise, except by the Town of Brimfield upon authorization of the Highway Surveyor. Any owner or occupant of land abutting a public way who desires any alteration of land within a public way shall file with the Highway Surveyor a written proposal specifying the location, dimensions, and purposes of the desired alteration. The Highway Surveyor shall within ten (10) days of such filing deny same, request further information, or approve same. The Highway Surveyor shall direct the Highway Department, land owner, or occupant filing to effect the alteration at the owner's or occupant's expense. The owner or occupant shall be responsible for any debris or material that comes from such access onto Town property. The Town shall not be responsible for any run-off of water or material that may be allowed to enter the owner or occupant's land because of such access or alteration.

The Inspector of Buildings before issuing a new Building Permit shall first ascertain that the above By-Law has been complied with.

Or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 59:** To see if the Town will vote to accept, a roadway, described as follows, or take any other action thereon:

CUBLES DRIVE

Said Road having a total length of 1241 feet and consisting of a twenty-two foot right-of-way with two ten-foot wide lanes and two one-foot shoulders.

Said Road to start with the western end of the right-of-way currently owned by Carolyn H. Adams and Shirley E. Frye which borders on Brookfield Road and end at a line 1241 feet in an easterly direction from said western end.

Or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 60:** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to provide a public access to Lake Sherman by purchasing a parcel of land currently owned by Carolyn H. Adams and Shirley E. Frye and described as follows:

"Starting at the SW corner of the property belonging to Roland H. and Annie M. Leduc on Cubles Drive in the Town of Brimfield and going West on Cubles Drive approximately 150 feet;

Then North approximately 294 feet to the shore of Lake Sherman;

Then East along the shore to the NW corner of Leduc property previously mentioned;

Then South, 276.1 feet to the starting point."

Said property is approximately 1 acre.

Or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 61:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to provide for surveying and conveying of the deed to transfer ownership of property described in the above article from Carolyn H. Adams and Shirley E. Frye to the Town of Brimfield or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 62:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 40 Section 57 of the Massachusetts General Laws, which will authorize the town to withhold certain licenses and permits to individuals who are delinquent in paying any local taxes, fees, or other municipal charges. The wording of Chapter 40 Section 57 is as follows:

"Any city and town which accepts the provisions of this section, may by by-law or ordinance deny any application for, or revoke or suspend any local license or permit including renewals and transfers issued by any



board, officer, department for any person, corporation or business enterprise who has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or any other municipal charges. Such by-law or ordinances shall provide that:

(a) The tax collector or other municipal official responsible for records of all municipal taxes, assessments, betterments and other municipal charges, hereinafter referred to as the tax collector, shall annually furnish to each department, board, commission or division, hereinafter referred to as the licensing authority, that issues licenses or permits including renewals and transfers, a list of any person, corporation, or business enterprise, hereinafter referred to as the party, that has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges for not less than a twelve month period, and that such party has not filed in good faith a pending position before the appellate tax board.

(b) The licensing authority may deny, revoke or suspend any license or permit, including renewals and transfers of any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the licensing authority from the tax collector, provided, however, that written notice is given to the party and the tax collector, as required by applicable provisions of law, and the party is given a hearing, to be held not earlier than fourteen days after said notice. Said list shall be *prima facie* evidence for denial, revocation or suspension of said license or permit to any party. The tax collector shall have the right to intervene in any hearing conducted with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any findings made by the licensing authority with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension shall be made only for the purpose of such proceeding and shall not be relevant to or introduced in any other proceeding at law, except for any appeal from such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any license denied, suspended, or revoked under this section shall not be reissued or renewed until the license authority received a certificate issued by the tax collector that the party is in good standing with respect to any and all local taxes, fees, assessment, betterments or other municipal charges, payable to the municipality as the date of issuance of said certificate.

(c) Any party shall be given an opportunity to enter into a payment agreement, thereby allowing the licensing authority to issue a certificate indicating said limitations to the license or permit and the validity of said license shall be conditioned upon the satisfactory compliance with said agreement. Failure to comply with said agreement shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of said license or permit; provided, however, that the holder be given notice and a hearing as required by applicable provisions of law.

(d) The board of selectmen may waive such denial, suspension or revocation if it finds there is no direct or indirect business interest by the property owner, its officers or stockholders, if any, or members of his immediate family, as defined in section one of chapter two hundred and sixty-eight in the business or activity conducted in or on said property.



This section shall not apply to the following licenses and permits: open burning; section thirteen of chapter forty-eight; bicycle permits; section eleven A of chapter eighty-five; sales of articles for charitable purposes, section thirty-three of chapter one hundred and one; children work permits, section sixty-nine of chapter one hundred and forty-nine; clubs, associations dispensing food or beverage licenses, section twenty-one E of chapter one hundred and forty; dog licenses, section one hundred and thirty-seven of chapter one hundred and forty; fishing, hunting, trapping license, section twelve of chapter one hundred and thirty-one; marriage licenses, section twenty-eight of chapter two hundred and seven; and theatrical events, public exhibition permits, section one hundred and eighty-one of chapter one hundred and forty.

A city or town may exclude any local license or permit from this section by by-law or ordinance." (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 63:** To see if the Town will vote to amend **Article IV Section 6** of the Town By-laws in accordance with Chapter 40 Section 57 of the Massachusetts General Laws, deleting the present wording and substituting the following:

"a. In the event that the holder of or applicant for any license or permit issued by the Town of Brimfield shall be delinquent in the payment of any local tax, fee, or other municipal charges, the Board of Selectmen, or other licensing authority, shall have the authority to refuse to issue said license or renew said license or permit.

b. The provisions of Chapter 40 Section 57 of the Massachusetts General Laws shall be strictly followed in the enforcement of this section."

Or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 64:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer monies from the Federal reimbursement for expenses associated with Hurricane Gloria (of September 1985) to the following accounts: Highway Wage, Highway General, Police Salary, Police Expense, Fire Expense, or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Circuit Rider)

**Article 65:** To see if the town will direct the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to enact the following special legislation strictly to the terms petitioned for by the town meeting excepting editorial and technical corrections:

"A bill authorizing the town of Brimfield to recall elected officials."

Section 1. Any holder of an elective office in the town of Brimfield may be recalled therefrom by the qualified voters of the town herein provided.

Section 2. Any qualified voter of the town may make and file with the town clerk an affidavit containing the name of the officer sought to be removed and a statement of the grounds of removal. Said town clerk shall thereupon deliver to the voters making such affidavit a sufficient number

of copies of petition blanks demanding such recall. Said blanks shall be issued by the town clerk with his or her signature and official seal attached thereto; they shall be dated and addressed to the selectmen of said town, shall contain the name of the person to whom issued, the number of blanks so issued, the name of the person sought to be recalled, the office from which recall is sought, the grounds of recall as stated in said affidavit, and shall demand the election of a successor to such office. A copy of the petition shall be entered in a record book to be kept in the office of the town clerk. Said recall petition shall be returned and filed with the town clerk within thirty days after the filing of the affidavit. Said petition before being returned and filed shall be signed by fifteen per cent of the qualified voters, and to every signature shall be added the place of residence of the signer, giving the street and number. The recall petition shall be submitted, at or before five o'clock in the afternoon of the Saturday preceding the day on which it must be filed, to the registrars of voters in the town, and the registrars shall forthwith certify thereon the number of signatures which are name of voters of said town.

Section 3. If the petition shall be found and certified by the town clerk to be sufficient, he or she shall submit the same with his or her certificate to said selectmen without delay, and said selectmen shall forthwith give written notice to said officer of the receipt of said certificate and shall, if the officer sought to be removed does not resign within five days thereafter, thereupon order an election to be held on a Tuesday fixed by them not less than sixty nor more than seventy days after the date of the town clerk's certificate that a sufficient petition is filed; provided, however, that if any other town election is to occur within ninety days after the date of said certificate, the selectmen may, in their discretion, postpone the holding of the removal election to the date of such other election. If a vacancy occurs in said office after a recall election has been so ordered, the election shall nevertheless proceed in this section.

Section 4. Any officer sought to be recalled may be a candidate to succeed him or herself and, unless he or she requests otherwise in writing, the town clerk shall place his or her name on the official ballot without nomination. The nomination of other candidates, the publication of the warrant for the recall election, and the conduct of the same, shall all be in accordance with the provisions of law relating to elections, unless otherwise provided in this act. A majority of those voting at the recall election shall be sufficient to recall such elected officer; provided, however, that at least thirty per cent of those person qualified to vote, do so.

Section 5. The incumbent shall continue to perform the duties of his or her office until the recall election. If then re-elected, he or she shall continue in office for the remainder of his or her unexpired term, subject to recall as before, except as provided in section seven. If not re-elected in the recall election, he or she shall be deemed removed upon qualification of his or her successor, who shall hold office during the unexpired term. If the successor fails to qualify within five days after receiving notification of his or her election, the incumbent shall thereupon be deemed removed and the office vacant.



Section 6. Ballots used in a removal election shall submit the following propositions in the order indicated:

For the removal of (name of officer)  
Against the removal of (name of officer)

Immediately at the right of each proposition there shall be a square in which the voter, by making a cross mark (X) may vote for either of such propositions. Under the proposition shall appear the word "Candidates" and the direction "Vote for one" and beneath this the names of candidates nominated as hereinbefore provided.

If a majority of the votes cast on the recall question is in the affirmative, then the candidate that received the highest number of votes in the special election to fill the vacancy shall be elected. If a majority of the votes on the question is in the negative, the ballots for candidates to fill the potential vacancy need not be counted.

Section 7. No removal petition shall be filed against an officer within three months after he or she takes office nor within three months of the end of his or her term nor in the case of an officer subjected to a recall election and not removed thereby, until at least three months after that election.

Section 8. No person who has been removed from an office or who has resigned from office while removal proceedings were pending against him or her, shall be appointed to any town office within two years after such removal or such resignation.

(Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 66:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town By-laws by deleting the following from **Article II, Section 3:** Three Selectmen for one year each; and inserting in its place the following:

Three Selectmen for three years each, one to be elected annually.  
(Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 67:** To see if the Town will adopt the following special By-law for the purpose of implementing **Article II, Section 3** as amended under the previous warrant article:

At the annual election in 1987, the following officers shall be elected: Selectman for one year, Selectman for two years, and Selectman for three years. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 68:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town By-laws by deleting the following from **Article II, Section 3:** Three Selectmen for one year each; and inserting in its place the following:

Three Selectmen for separate one-year terms.



Or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 69:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from Revenue Sharing the sum of \$1,500.00 to continue the erection of street name posts and signs or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Highway Department)

**Article 70:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the following Lake Sherman Roads: Cubles Drive, Knollwood Road, Oakwood Road, Crestwood Road, Forest Road, and Echo Road, or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Lake Sherman Association)

**Article 71:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$5,000 for road maintenance at Lake Sherman; funds to be used at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen upon the request of the Lake Sherman Association or for any other consideration, or take any other action thereon. (Sponsored by the Lake Sherman Association)

**Article 72:** To see if the Town will vote to provide Real Estate Tax relief for certain persons of limited means over the age of 70 by voting to adopt the provisions of Chapter 59 Section 5 Clause 41B of the Massachusetts General Laws and that this action be effective for FY1987 and thereafter. (Sponsored by the Tax Collector)

**Article 73:** To see if the Town will vote to provide Real Estate Tax relief for certain persons of limited means over the age of 70 and certain surviving spouses under the age of 70 and minor children by voting to adopt Chapter 59 Section 5 Clause 17C of the Massachusetts General Laws and that this action be effective for FY1987 and thereafter. (Sponsored by the Tax Collector)

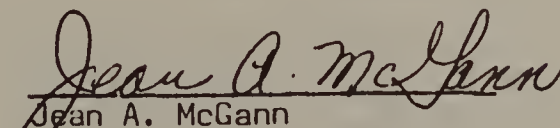
And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in at least five public places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and make dur return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the times and place of meeting and election aforesaid.

Given under our hand this THIRTIETH day of MARCH 1986.


BOARD OF SELECTMEN

  
Brian N. Haley, Chairman

  
Jean A. McGann

  
Michael Sullivan

A true copy, ATTEST

  
Doris Podlasek, Town Clerk

## GOVERNMENTAL INFORMATION

Brimfield is included in the:

Second Congressional District  
Seventh Councillor District  
Worcester - Franklin - Hampden - Hampshire  
    Senatorial District  
First Hampden Representative District

U. S. Senators are:

Edward T. Kennedy  
John S. Kerry

Congressman, 2nd District is:

Edward P. Boland, Springfield

State Senator is:

Robert D. Wetmore, Barre

Representative to General Court is:

William Moriarty, Ware

County Commissioners are:

Thomas J. O'Connor, Chairman  
Leonard J. Collamore  
Richard Thomas



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# INFORMATION FOR BRIMFIELD RESIDENTS

## Business Hours of Town Offices and Committees

TOWN CLERK	Mondays 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Town Hall Hours by appointment at her home
TOWN TREASURER	Monday evening at the Town Hall 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
TOWN ACCOUNTANT	To Be Announced
COLLECTION OF TAXES	Monday evening 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Town Hall
BOARD OF ASSESSORS	Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 9-4p.m. and Monday evening 7:00 to 9 p.m.
POLICE DEPARTMENT	Monday evening at the Town Hall 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
BOARD OF SELECTMEN	Monday evening 7:00 p.m. at the <i>Tues,</i> Town Hall
TELEVISION COMMISSION	First Tuesday of the month at the Town Hall
PLANNING BOARD	First Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall
FOOD AND INSPECTION	Monday evening 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall
LIBRARY BOARD	First Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the library
BOARD OF HEALTH	First Thursday of the month at 8:30 p.m. at the Town Hall
WATER BOARD	First Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at Melchior Academy, March, May & August
BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES	Second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall
BOARD OF EDUCATION, TOWN COMMITTEE	Third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Library of Industrial St., Springfield
TOWN COMMITTEE	Monday & Friday, January, February & March 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Town Hall





# ANNUAL REPORT

To The

## TOWN OF BRIMFIELD



Including Receipts & Expenditures

for the

Fiscal Period Ending JUNE 30, 1986

TOWN MEETING MAY 11, ELECTION MAY 18, 1987

## TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

### EMERGENCIES

Ambulance	245-7222
Ambulance (non-emergency)	245-7334
Civil Defense Director	245-7641
Fire Department	245-7222
Fire Department (non-emergency)	245-7334
Police Department	245-7222
Police Department (non-emergency)	245-3442
State Police (Sturbridge)	347-3352

### Town Government

**Bold** phone numbers indicate new numbers

Assessors	245-9635
Building Inspector	<b>245-9060</b>
Cemetery Commission	<b>245-3185</b>
Conservation Commission	<b>245-3218</b>
Electrical Inspector	<b>245-9657</b>
Elderbus	245-7253
Flea Market	<b>245-7479</b>
Health, Board of	<b>245-4476</b>
Housing Authority	245-9851
Highway Department	245-7223
Library	245-3518
Planning Board	<b>245-4476</b>
Plumbing Inspector	<b>1-617-764-3178</b>
Selectmen	<b>245-4476</b>
Tax Collector	<b>245-4476</b>
Town Clerk	245-9694
Tree Warden	245-9830

### Schools

Brimfield Elementary	245-7337
Superintendent of Schools	347-3077; 347-9014
Tantasqua Regional High School	347-9301
Tantasqua Regional Jr. High School	347-7381

TOWN MEETING 2ND MONDAY IN MAY @ 7:00 P.M., MAY 11, 1987.

ANNUAL ELECTION 3RD MONDAY IN MAY, POLLS OPEN 12-8, MAY 18, 1987.



**annual report  
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1985-1986**

**FORWARD**

**The residents of Brimfield are encouraged to read, study, and question this Annual Report for 1985-1986 reflecting the activities, growth, and progress of the Town. They are invited to call upon town officers and departments for any further information desired, or simply to comment on reports. It is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED that this report be brought to the ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.**

## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

### Licenses issued for the Division of Fisheries and Game

- 20 Resident Fishing
- 15 Resident Hunting
- 10 Resident Sporting
  - 1 Resident Minor Fishing
  - 2 Non-Resident Citizen Fishing
  - 2 Non-Resident Citizen Hunting
- 11 Free Resident Sporting
- 2 Resident Sporting (age 65-69)
- 16 Archery Stamps
- 1 Resident Trapping

### DOGS LICENSED

- 25 Males @ \$ 4.00
- 10 Males @ \$ 10.00
- 40 Females @ \$ 4.00
- 10 Females @ \$10.00

### BRIEF ABSTRACT OF DOG LAWS:

The owner or keeper of any dog three months old or over must have said dog licensed. Licenses are due and payable on or before March 31st of each year. Whoever violates the provisions of the dog laws shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$15.00.

Every dog, six months or older, must be inoculated with rabies vaccine every three years.

## TOWN OFFICERS - 1986

### TOWN CLERK

Doris S. Podlasek	1988
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### MODERATOR

Robert C. Cheney	1987
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### TREASURER

Joan Erban	1988
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### TAX COLLECTOR

Susan Sutherland	1988
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### SELECTMEN

Brian Haley, Chairman	1987
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Peter Field, resigned George Gross elected	1987
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John Hilker	1987
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Carole Goodspeed, Secretary	
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### ASSESSORS

Richard Starkey	1988
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Anne Dutka	1987
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James E. Killian	1989
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### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Harry A. Peters, Jr., Chairman	1987
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James Powers	1988
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Susan Raymond	1989
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### TANTASQUA REG DIST. SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Stephen J. Denning	1989
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Michael P. Koprowski	1987
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## BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Clayton L. Thomas, M.D., resigned Robert Hannon apptd.	1988
Edward J. Killian	1989
Lawrence Lowenthal	1987

## CEMETERY COMMISSION

James A. Adams, Sr.	1989
Llewellyn B. Norton	1988
Henry Pelletier	1987
Michael Phifer, Cemetery Superintendent	

## HOUSING AUTHORITY

Alice M. Adams (State Appointee)	1991
Grace G. Stuart, Chairman	1989
Llewellyn B. Norton	1988
Nancy Prescott	1991
Clarence Keith, resigned	1988

## LIBRARY TRUSTEES

John O. Curtis	1987
Joseph DiFabio	1988
Charlotte Day Hudson	1989
Joanne Milani	1989
Sally Siewick	1987
Paulette Fiset	1988

## TREE WARDEN

Henry Pelletier	1987
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## CONSTABLES

Charles McGann	1988
Donald B. Norton	1988
William F. Roberts	1988
John H. Stanton	1988
Charles A. Modugno	1988

TRUSTEES - HARRIET HARDING FUND

Alice Adams	1989
Edward J. Killian	1988
Bruce Bennett	1987

PLANNING BOARD

Beth St. Clair	1988
Ward Cox	1989
David Killian	1987
Edward J. Killian	1989
Susan E. Sutherland	1988

TRUSTEES -LINCOLN LIBRARY FUND

Juliane Spooner	1987
Llewellyn B. Norton	1988
	1989

# APPOINTED OFFICERS

## TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Karen Conner 1987

## HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

John L. Sherman 1987

## FIRE CHIEF

Michael Wales 1987

## POLICE CHIEF

Victor Milani 1987

## SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT PEST CONTROL

David M. Killian 1987

## MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK

Cheney L. Lawrence 1987

## FIELD DRIVERS

Gerard Morin 1987

Neil Stalker 1987

David M. Killian 1987

## FENCE VIEWERS

Gerard Morin 1987

Neil Stalker 1987

David M. Killian 1987

## DOG OFFICER

Earl R. Cote, Sr. 1987

## TOWN COUNSEL

Bruce Clarkin 1987

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Pamela Beall 1987

Richard Provost 1987

Douglas Kenyon 1987

Judy O'Donnell 1987

Robert St. Clair 1987

Richard Siewick, Chairman 1988

Milbur Givan 1988

Joseph Killian 1988

Robert Moses 1986

## BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Jacqueline Modugno 1987

Jean Hertan 1989

Patricia Lawrence 1988

## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS



Arthur Bonneau	1987
Donald Fitzgibbons	1989
Michael Koprowski	1988

#### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Arnold Beaton	1987
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Jack Keough	BUILDING INSPECTOR	1987
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Jack Keough	ZONING OFFICER	1987
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Robert Coto, Director	CIVIL DEFENSE	1987
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Nickolas DiGregorio	INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION	1989
David Hall		1988
Paul Aloia		1987
		1988
		1988

#### TRI-TOWN RECREATION COMMITTEE

Dave and Sandra McClatchey	1987
Bob Bergstrom	1987
Ray Kelley	1987
Nilla and Ray Ciesluk	1987
Elaine and Ron Hevey	1987
Jane and Tom Clay	1987
Russ Dubois	1987
John Miller	1987
Joe Grise	1987
Robin and Warren Bren	1987
Marilyn and Fred Kozyra, Chairman	1987
Linda Phaneuf	1987
Debbie Morin	1987
John Suprenaut	1987

#### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Cindy Powers, Chairman	1987
Marcia Starkey	1987
Gerard Morin	1987
Jay Lee	1989
Henry Pelletier	1989

William Pratt	1988
Herman Haven	1988
James French, Associate Member	1988
Virginia Irvine, Associate Member	1988
Judy Sessler, Associate Member	1988

#### BUILDING INSPECTOR BOARD OF APPEALS

1986  
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#### MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

Johnstone Prescott	1987
Edward Clark	1987
Francis Langevin	1987
Robert Joyce	1987
Dennis McCurdy	1987
Ted Skowyra	1987
Bernard Samek	1987
James Adams, Jr.	1987
Lyman Stanton, Jr.	1987

#### BY-LAW COMMITTEE

Bernard Samek	1987
Clifford Phaneuf, Jr.	1987

#### PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Roger Vincent, Southbridge (Appointed by Bd. of Health)	1987
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#### GAS INSPECTOR

Roger Vincent	1987
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#### ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

Sumner Barr	1987
Charles Mack	1987

#### TOWN HALL CUSTODIAN

Walter Koslowski	1987
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#### HISTORICAL/ARTS COMMISSION

Crawford Lincoln	1987
Elaine Hayes	1989
John Curtis	1988
Helene Lindblad	1988

AGENT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Lyman Stanton 1987

ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Lyman Stanton 1987

COUNCIL ON AGING

Frank McLeish, Chairman  
Pearl McLeish  
Elmer Deering  
Florence Gendreau  
Shirley Frye  
Frank Sweeney  
Marge Bergstrom  
Harriet Freeman

MAP REVIEW COMMITTEE

George Gross	1987
Judy Sessler	1987
Charles McGann	1987
Stan Podlasek	1987
Charlotte Day Hudson	1987

PLANNING BOARD OF APPEALS

Stanley Vaill	1987
Noel Hebert	1987

PARKING VIOLATION CLERK

Patricia M. White 1987



## BIRTHS RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PARENTS</u>
1985		
JULY		
23	Ryan Daniel Murphy	Paul & Mary Murphy
25	Daniel Alan Stone	Keith & Bonnie Stone
29	Emily Farnsworth French	James & Gail French
AUGUST		
26	Craig Foley Sisko	Larry & Deborah Sisko
24	Steven Eric Niemitz	Bruce & Ann Niemitz
27	Lauren Denise Goffredo	Matt & Ann Goffredo
28	Jennifer Marie Morse	Michael & Renee Morse
SEPTEMBER		
09	Colin James Tyburski	Eric & Judy Tyburski
24	Steven Eric Niemitz	Bruce & Ann Niemitz
27	Lauren Denise Goffredo	Matt & Ann Goffredo
OCTOBER		
01	James Lance Arnold	Jeff & Sherry Arnold
16	Alise Ashley Wales	Mike & Mary Ann Wales
23	Johathan Thomas Phifer	Steve & Elaine Phifer
24	Jason Paul Allen	Paul & Kathy Allen
27	Stephen Alexander Rasys	Mike & Kathy Rasys
NOVEMBER		
4	Thomas Howard Brown	Tom & Christine Brown
20	Allen Edmond Warren Jr.	Ed & Donna Warren
27	Megan Lynne Roberts	Gene & Doreen Roberts
DECEMBER		
25	Sarah Michilina Masuzzo	Peter & Joanne Masuzzo
30	Glenn Allen Kenyon	Joe & Deborah Kenyon

1986

JANUARY

03 Rachel Anne Denning  
14 Kyle William Banks

Mark & Shirley Denning  
Stephen & Liz Banks

FEBRUARY

5 Tegan Brianne Chakrin  
11 Megan Rose Conners  
16 Travis William Koslowski  
17 Erin Seanar Finicane

Richard & Kim Chakrin  
Mark & Karen Conners  
Bill & Jackie Koslowski  
James & Ann Finicane

MARCH

12 Christine Marie Suprenant  
20 Pamela Jean Graf

Geo. & MaryAnn Suprenant  
Gary & Donna Graf

MAY

10 Taryn Therese Kaitbenski  
23 Christa May McDonald  
28 Alan Troy Matthieu

Brian & Donna Kaitbenski  
Kim & Judy McDonald  
Paul & Karen Matthieu

JULY

4 Krystin Leone Gavin  
6 Adam Dennis McCurdy  
9 Benjamin John Almeida  
22 Kimberly Kelly Spencer  
29 Justin Emile Normandin

Helen & James Gavin  
Sheila & Dennis McCurdy  
Connie & John Almeida  
Barbara & Ed Spencer  
Pat & Scot Normandin

AUGUST

10 Thomas Lee Eldred, Jr.  
28 Brianne Nicole LaChance

Darlene & Tom Eldred  
Cathy & Jim Lachance, Sr.

SEPTEMBER

27 Mallory Marie Shocik

Marie & Michael Shocik

OCTOBER

22 Stephen Gary Keith

Pamela & Gary Keith

NOVEMBER

1 Hannah Joy Smith  
6 Laura Elizabeth Sherris

Joan & Russell Smith  
Lynn & John Sherris

NOVEMBER

14	Matthew John Caulfield	Peggy & Mike Caulfield
30	Kenneth Francis Farrell, Jr.	Kenny & Tracy Farrell

DEATHS RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
1985		
JULY		
3	Florence Mary Clark	74
3	Stella Gabrielle Souliere	83
6	Mildred Florence Theberge	73
9	Ralph Waldo Webster	76
AUGUST		
14	Lillian J. Sieweck	68
23	Leo Justin Coyer	69
SEPTEMBER		
12	Velzora Mae Rasmussen	72
22	Adam John Rodgers	18 days
OCTOBER		
26	Louis Braica	59
NOVEMBER		
1	Joseph H. Lapointe	57
23	Marion Jenney Dickinson	83
DECEMBER		
5	Cordelia Richards	88
13	Edith MacGillivray	98
1986		
FEBRUARY		
6	Lucy May Boudriault	89
17	John P. Zollner	79
19	David Walker Cheney	82
24	James Miceli	81



1986

FEBRUARY

25	Geraldine P. Ebert	72
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MARCH

5	Katherine Cwika	70
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9	Armand J. Piche	53
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23	Audrey P. Millette	64
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31	Roger M. Johnston	63
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MAY

10	Martha Bauer	89
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17	Felix Ernest Monette	67
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25	Agnes Hanifin	86
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31	George W. Robbins	69
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JUNE

21	George Rebello	77
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23	Vesta Allen	68
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28	Walter J. Gerard	81
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JULY

8	Ruth May Duckworth	83
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12	Mabel Frances Cook	82
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SEPTEMBER

14	Alexander Hendry	74
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OCTOBER

12	Victor Kenneth Stevens	76
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DECEMBER

3	Egidio Carlo Crosa	83
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4	Gerald Nelson Brigham, Jr.	74
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8	Lucille Bertha Mary Dyke	69
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19	Wilhelmine Leth-Steensen	83
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# MARRIAGES RECORDED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>GROOM AND RESIDENCE</u>	<u>BRIDE &amp; RESIDENCE</u>
1985		
JULY		
27	Todd A. Keating W. Willington, CT	Laurel A. Mathieu W. Willington, CT
AUGUST		
24	Michael H. Phifer Holland, Ma.	Debra L. Dong Holland, Ma.
SEPTEMBER		
29	Raymond A. LaChance Holland, MA	Julianne M. Bosshardt Holland, MA
OCTOBER		
27	Charles W. Sherman Brimfield, MA	Natalie A. Nelson Brimfield, MA
1986		
MAY		
31	Rohn R. Vogan Orchard Park, NY	Lisa Leth-Steensen Brimfield, MA
JUNE		
7	Michael Bassett Brimfield, MA	Pamela Baker Brimfield, MA
14	Dale N. Guerrett Springfield, MA	Janet L. Stanton Springfield, MA
28	James B. Lamothe Brimfield, MA	Lisa A. Cook Brimfield, MA
28	William J. Duncan Brimfield, MA	Kathleen M. Perkins Warren, MA
28	David Piela Brimfield, MA	Nina S. Deforge Brimfield, MA

AUGUST

30

John F. Hilker  
Brimfield, MA

Susan E. Sutherland  
Brimfield, MA

SEPTEMBER

27

George A. Jankowi  
Plainville, CT

Cornelia S. Tittel  
Plainville, CT

OCTOBER

18

Raymond A. Warren  
Brimfield, MA

Dawn M. Brooks  
Brimfield, MA

18

Jocelyn Fillion  
West Hartford, CT

Brenda Duncan  
West Hartford, CT

25

Robert P. Sullivan  
Brimfield, MA

Diane I. Woolf  
Jamaica Plain, MA

NOVEMBER

8

Brian C. Sundberg  
Palmer, MA

Annette Santoro  
Brimfield, MA

15

Kevin J. Pratt  
Brimfield, MA

Elizabeth M. Tetreault  
Palmer, MA



## **ACTIONS ON ARTICLES OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF 10-15-85**

**Article 1:** Motion made and seconded to accept an equal educational opportunity grant for fiscal year 1986 in the amount of \$1,190, under the provisions of G.L. Ch. 70A, Section 5 as inserted by Ch. 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant shall be expended by the School Committee for direct service expenditures.

So voted unan. 7:40 p.m.

**Article 2:** Motion made and seconded to take no action on an equal educational opportunity grant for fiscal year 1986 in the amount of \$27,000 for the Tantasqua Regional School System--Union 61 in the amount of \$27,000, under the provisions of G.L. Ch. 70A, Section 5 as inserted by Ch. 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant shall be expended by the Tantasqua School Committee for direct service expenditures.

So voted overwhelmingly 8:05 p.m.

**ARTICLE 3:** Motion made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$19,275.75 to defray the additional cost of insurance premium for the fiscal year 1986.

So voted unan. 8:23 p.m.

**ARTICLE 4:** Motion made and seconded that the Selectmen be authorized to appoint a one year committee of five town residents to work with the planning board to review the May 8m 1978 zoning map of the Town and to direct this commission to employ the services of a certified engineer to correct the zoning map and the official map to conform to the geodetic survey maps of Brimfield. This committee is to make its recommendations and report for acceptance at the next annual town meeting.

So voted, 9:18 p.m.

**ARTICLE 5:** Motion made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$750 for caulking, weatherstripping, and insulation for the Town Hall and Town Barn as recommended by the energy audit

So voted unan. 9:19 p.m.

**ARTICLE 6:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$10,000 for repair and maintenance of the Highway Department loader.

So voted , unan. 9:19 p.m.

**ARTICLE 7:** Motion made to raise and appropriate \$17,500 to enter into a purchase or lease-purchase agreement not to exceed six years, for a loader for the Highway Department use.

So voted, 9:25 p.m.

**ARTICLE 8:** Motion made and seconded to adopt a by-law to regulate spraying with pesticides as follows:

ARTICLE XIV. Pesticide Spraying Regulation By-Law.

A.1. The spraying, spreading, or otherwise applying of pesticides (including herbicides, insecticides, and rodenticides) in such a manner that said substances come in contact with the person or property of another, including Town property, shall be illegal, unless written permission is obtained from such other party in advance. Said written permission is to be valid for ninety (90) days.

2. The following are exceptions to the provisions of this section:

- a. United States or Massachusetts governmental public health programs.
- b. Programs conducted by the Town of Brimfield.

3. Each instance of a person or property's being affected or impinged upon as described herein shall constitute a separate violation of this by-law, except that it shall not apply to persons, or the personal property of persons, affected while on the premises of someone who has either given prior written permission for, or has himself undertaken, the application of pesticides on

said premises as defined in this article. For purposes of this article, "property" shall mean either (1) all contiguous real estate under the same ownership, with the buildings, trees, etc. and all personal property thereof; or (2) if no real estate, buildings, trees, etc. of a person are involved, then any or all of his or her personal property.

So voted, unan. 9:50 p.m. (This article was not approved by the A.G.)

**ARTICLE 9:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to direct the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to enact the following special legislation strictly limited to the terms petitioned for by the town meeting excepting editorial and technical corrections.

"A BILL AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BRIMFIELD TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING ACCOUNT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING TOWN SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE BRIMFIELD ANTIQUE FAIRS"

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 53 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws to the contrary, the Town of Brimfield is hereby authorized to establish in its treasury a special account which shall be known as the "Brimfield Antique Market Account". Into such account there shall be deposited the receipts, contributions and other monies associated with the town services provided for the and/or because of the Brimfield Antique Fair, so called, except appropriations, and any and all such funds received by the Town Treasurer shall be kept separate from any other monies. Such funds or property and interest thereon shall be expended from said account at the direction of the Brimfield Board of Selectmen without appropriation in such manner and at such times as shall, in the discretion of said Board, best serve and promote the purposes for which said program was established.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

So voted, unan. 10:26 p.m.

**ARTICLE 10:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to accept a professional development grant payable on February 15, 1986, August 15, 1986, February 15, 1987 and August 15, 1987 for the purpose of increasing



teacher compensation under the provisions of Section 13 of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. This grant will be solely for Brimfield Elementary School System.

So voted, unan. 10:41 p.m.

**ARTICLE 11:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to accept a professional development grant payable on February 15, 1986, August 15, 1986, February 15, 1987 and August 15, 1987 for the purpose of increasing teacher compensation under the provisions of Section 13 of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. This grant will be solely for the Tantasqua Regional School System.

So voted, unan. 10:43 p.m.

**ACTIONS TAKEN AT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MAY 27, 28, 29, & JUNE 3, 1986:**

**Article 1:** Motion made and seconded to accept without reading the reports of the officers and agents of the town as printed, excepting the accountant's report not having been received and to deplore the fact that all town departments have not listed salaries and compensation and to change the report of the by-law committee on page 90 from -0- to zero

So voted , overwhelmingly at 7:16 p.m. 5-27-86

**Article 2:** Motion made and seconded that the salaries of the elected town officers be approved as amended.

So voted, 7:32 p.m. 5-27-86

**Article 3:** Motion made and seconded to raise and appropriate a sum of money for various departments and activities of the Town, payment of debts, and defraying of expenses of the ensuing twelve months of July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987 and direct how the same shall be expended.

So voted 10:55 p.m. 5-27-86

**Article 4:** Motion made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$22,834.60 to pay unpaid bills or overdrawn accounts for fiscal 1985.

So voted unan. 7:14 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 5:** Motion made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$432.20 to pay the bill submitted in 1986 for the Conservation Commission.

So voted, overwhelmingly 7:38 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 6:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to authorize the treasurer to enter into compensating balance agreements during fiscal year 1987, as permitted by General Laws Chapter 44 Section 53F.

So voted unan. 7:40 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 7:** Motion made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$3,500 to pay for banking services related to the monies managed by the treasurer and also raise and appropriate \$300 for banking services for the Tax Collector.

So voted unan. 7:44 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 8.** Motion made and seconded to take from Revenue Sharing

\$10,000.00 to purchase a new sander body for the Highway Department

So voted unan. 7:45 5-28-86

**Article 9:** Motion made and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,905.00 to be used in conjunction with and in addition to any funds allotted by the Commonwealth and/or county for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads.

So voted unan. 7:46 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 10:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to raise and appropriate, take from Revenue Sharing or transfer from available funds the sum of \$20,000.00 to purchase a used diesel cab and chassis for the Highway Department. So voted unan. 7:53 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 11:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to raise and appropriate, take from Revenue Sharing or transfer from available funds the sum of \$10,000.00 to purchase a new brush chipper or the sum of \$8,000.00 to purchase a used brush chipper for the Highway Department.

So voted unan. 7:54 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 12:** Motion made and seconded to take no action on the following addition to the by-laws:

#### **"Article XIV**

Section 1. All non-school department employees of the town of Brimfield are granted the following paid holidays:

New Year's Day, Martin Luther King's Day, Presidents' Day, Patriots' Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

Furthermore, if the holiday falls on a weekend the following Monday will be the paid holiday."

So voted, unan. 8:02 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 13:** Motion made and seconded to take no action on the following addition to the by-laws:

#### **"Article XIV**

Section 2. All non-school department employees of the town of Brimfield are granted 5 paid vacation days per year after one year, 10 paid vacation days per year after 5 years, and 15 paid vacation days per year after 10 years."

So voted overwhelmingly, 8:10 p.m. 5-28-86



**Article 14:** Motion made and seconded to take no action on the following addition to the by-laws:

**"Article HIV**

Section 3.

(Paragraph one) For employees who are currently in town service, who work at least 20 hours per week in town service on a regular basis, and during the fiscal year who earn at least 75% of the state minimum wage multiplied by 1,040 in salary, wages, and/or fees from the town of Brimfield, fifty percent (50%) of the cost of the premiums for the Brimfield Blue Cross/Blue Shield plan will be paid by the town. This includes all elected and appointed officials and employees in all departments.

(Paragraph two) Any person who does not meet any of the qualifications to be on the Brimfield Blue Cross/Blue Shield plan, but is an elected official, appointed official, or employee or a former elected official, appointed official, or employee of the town of Brimfield, and desires to be on the plan, may at the discretion of the Brimfield Board of Selectmen have an article placed on the warrant at any annual town meeting requesting that they be placed on the plan. If the article passes, they will be required to pay one-hundred percent (100%) of the cost of the premiums.

(Paragraph three) As of January 1, 1986, the only exceptions to the above are Mary Goodrich, Julie Spooner, and Lyman Stanton, Sr.

(Paragraph four) This resolution takes effect on July 1, 1986."

So voted unan. 8:14 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 15:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to accept the following by-law:

**"Article HIV**

Section 4. All non-school department employees of the town of Brimfield are granted up to 5 paid sick days per year with no retention of unused sick days from year to year. "

So voted unan. 8:15 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 16** Motion made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$6,927.08 for the Circuit Rider Salary Account and \$2,000.00 for the Circuit Rider Expense Account for FY 1987.

So voted overwhelmingly, 8:20 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 17.** Motion made and seconded that any county dog related reimbursements for the fiscal period July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987 be given for use of the library. So voted unan. 8:23 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 18:** Motion made and seconded to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of Revenue in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1986 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4 and to issue a note or notes payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 57.

So voted unan. 8:24 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 19:** Motion made and seconded to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements of allotments by the State and County for highways including bridges.

So voted unan. 8:25 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 20:** Motion made and seconded to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice in some convenient public place of the Town, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town upon tax title procedure provided that Selectmen, or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such a public auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

So voted unan. 8:26 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 21:** Motion made and seconded to raise and appropriate from available funds in the treasury \$10,000 to be added to the Stabilization Fund or take.

So voted 61 yes, 39 no 9:12 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 22:** Motion made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$4,800 the installation of a fire detector system in the Town Hall.

So voted overwhelmingly 9:13 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 23:** Motion made and seconded that the entire balance of the parking ticket revolving fund, so-called, be transferred to general revenue and that the account be closed against all future receipts and expenditures, its existence being contrary to Massachusetts General Laws and not having been authorized by town vote.

So voted unan. 9:16 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 24:** Motion made and seconded that the entire balance of the flea market revolving fund, so-called, being the collected receipts from the flea market permits and police billings, be transferred to general revenue and that the account be closed against all future receipts and expenditures, its existence being contrary to Massachusetts General Laws and not having been authorized by town vote as of 7-1-86.

So voted unan. 9:34 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 25:** Motion made and seconded to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,000.00 for Tri-Link, Inc. of Southbridge, Massachusetts in support of counseling and related services to be provided to Brimfield children and families for the next year

So voted unan. 9:36 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 26:** Motion made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$8,000 for the construction of a handicap ramp on the Town Hall as outlined in the proposed plan.

So voted overwhelmingly 9:49 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 27:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to establish a position of Accounting Clerk/Secretary under the direction of the Board of Selectmen and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,500.00 as a salary for this position.

So voted overwhelmingly 10:10 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 28:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of a telephone system in the Town Hall.

So voted unan. 10:10 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 29:** Motion made and seconded to transfer from Revenue Sharing the sum of \$7500 for an audit of the Town's books in order to comply with the Revenue Sharing Single Audit Act of 1984.

So voted unan. 10:11 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 30:** Motion made and seconded to amend the Town By-laws **Article 1, Section 5** by adding the following words: "The By-law Committee shall hold a public hearing not less than seven days before any town meeting having by-law articles, excepting zoning; notice for public hearing to be posted in at least five public places in the town not less than seven days in advance of hearing."

So voted unan. 10:16 p.m. (Approved by AG)



**Article 31.** Motion, made and seconded that the wording of **Sections 1** and **2** of **Article 11** be combined in the same section and the following **Sections** be renumbered accordingly.

So voted overwhelmingly 10:24 PM May 28, 1986. (Approved by AG)

**Article 32.** Motion made and seconded to amend the Town By-laws **Article 11, Section 3** by adding the words "; five members of the Planning Board for five years each, one to be elected annually "

So voted unan. 10:25 PM May 28, 1986. (Approved by AG)

**Article 33.** Motion made and seconded to amend the Town By-laws **Article VII, Section 2** by deleting the words, "on or before the fifteenth day of July each year." and inserting in their place the words "on or before the 31st day of January, for the calendar year preceding. Boards, departments, committees, and officers that exceeded appropriations falling within their jurisdiction for the previous fiscal year will state amounts overdrawn."

So voted unan. at 10:29PM on May 28, 1986. (Approved by AG)

**Article 34** Motion made and seconded to amend the Town By-laws, **Article VII, Section 3** by inserting after the words "in the financial year next preceding" the words "and from 1 July to 31 December of the current fiscal year,"

So voted unan. at 10:30PM May 28, 1986.(Approved by AG)

**Article 35.** Motion made and seconded to amend the Town By-laws by striking from **Article 11, Section 5** the words, "and ninety days after the end of the fiscal year, a copy of the Town Report shall be made available to each registered voter of the Town" and adding to **Article VII, Section 4**, the words, "At least seven days before the day fixed in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, the Selectmen shall cause to be mailed to each occupied dwelling in the town a copy of the Town Report Any individual who resides in Brimfield but who does not receive his mail through Brimfield or through one of the regular rural routes serving Brimfield, but who wishes to receive a copy of the Town Report, shall give his name and proper mailing address to the Town Clerk in writing."

So voted overwhelmingly at 10:40PM May 28, 1986. (Approved by AG)

The amendment was to add the following sentence after the words"... copy of the Town Report.": Any individual who resides in Brimfield but who does not receive his mail through Brimfield or through one of the regular rural routes serving Brimfield, but who wishes to receive a copy of the Town Report, shall give his name and proper mailing address to the Town Clerk in writing. So voted overwhelmingly at 10:38 p.m. 5-28-86

**Article 36.** Motion made and seconded to amend the Town By-laws **Article VII, Section 6** by adding the words, "These publications will also be kept by the Town Clerk and made available for a fee to defray printing costs."

So voted unan at 10:50PM May 28, 1986. (Approved by AG)

**Article 37.** Motion made and seconded to amend the Town By-laws **Article VIII, Section 2h** by changing the title from "Public Health" and "Health and Safety" and by numbering the first, existing paragraph "(1)" and adding the following new subparagraphs:

(2) Flea Market operators/owners will provide toilet, handwashing, and drinking water facilities in accordance with regulations provided by the Board of Health.

(3) Licensed Emergency Medical Technicians will remain on duty during daylight operation of the Flea Market at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen; cost to be borne by the Flea Market operators/owners

(4) A fire-fighting team will remain on duty during operation of the Flea Market at the discretion of the Fire Chief, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen; cost to be borne by Flea Market operators/owners.

(5) Flea Market operators/owners will provide fire and emergency access lanes at the discretion of the Fire Chief.

(6) Flea Market operators/owners will provide fifteen feet of depth along and adjacent to the public right of ways for pedestrian traffic.

(7) Flea Market merchants, who are permitted by the town to do business, shall be allowed to remain overnight in their vehicles on the grounds of a flea market operator/owner for the purpose of protecting their wares for a period not to exceed seven consecutive days at flea markets and not more than three flea markets in any calendar year. Any flea market operator/owner who allows merchants to remain overnight on his premises must maintain adequate sanitary facilities and dumping stations under jurisdiction of the Board of Health.

So voted, 58 yes, 45 no at 7:15PM May 29, 1986. (Approved by AG)

**Article 38.** Motion made and seconded to amend **Zoning By-law VII**, adding the following subsection:

**VII-C.** The provisions of **VII-A** shall not apply to licensed vendors on flea market grounds in a business zone for a period not to exceed seven consecutive days three times per year.

So voted, 97 Yes, 10 No at 7:35PM May 29, 1986 (Approved by AG)

**Article 39** Motion made and seconded to lay on the table this article to bring the size of the Business District into closer relationship to the size of the population, define the depth of the Business District, and lessen the effect of "strip zoning" by making the following changes in the Zoning Map of Brimfield which was accepted by the Town Meeting of May 8, 1978:

a. The depth of the Business District is defined, wherever it exists, as 500 feet from the property line on the north and south sides of Route 20, with the exception of the existing greater depths on the south side of Route 20 between Wales and Holland Roads and lesser depth on land abutting property owned by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the United States government.

b. The Business District along both sides of Route 20 from the Monson-Brimfield town line to the intersection with the west side of Prospect Hill Road and the point directly opposite is changed to Agricultural-Residential.

c. The Business District along both sides of Route 20 from the Army Corps. of Engineers marker EBL 547 65797 on the north side and the point directly opposite in the vicinity of the Springfield Boys Club to state highway marker B 370 on the south side and the point directly opposite in the vicinity of Squires Inn is changed to Agricultural-Residential.

So voted overwhelmingly 7:39 p.m. 5-29-86

**Article 40:** Motion made and seconded to lay on the table this article to change the Zoning By-law to remove educational uses from the permitted uses in the Residential and Agricultural-Residential Districts and authorize them as specially permitted used by adopting the following amendment:

In IV-A.1.b remove the word "education and the comma which precedes it. In IV-A.2 insert a third use: "c. Educational use."  
In IV-B.2 insert: "f. Educational use."

voted overwhelmingly 7:56 p.m. 5-29-86



**Article 41.** Motion made and seconded to increase the minimum lot dimension by adopting the following amendment to the Zoning By-law:

In the tables in V-A and V-B, the area figures 43,560 and 62,500 wherever they appear, are to be replaced by 65,340. The frontage figures of 125 and 150, wherever they appear, are to be replaced by 150 with the exception of the area and frontage figures in the Industrial District.

So voted, 87 yes, 30 no at 9:59PM May 29, 1986. (Approved by AG)

Amendment was made and seconded to increase the minimum lot dimension to 150 feet frontage, for a total of an acre and a half with a total square footage of 65,340.

So voted, 74 yes, 33 no at 9:55PM May 29, 1986.

Amendment was made and seconded to add the words with the exception of the area and frontage figures in the Industrial District.

So voted overwhelmingly at 9:57PM May 29, 1986. (Approved by AG)

**Article 42:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to provide increased setbacks by adopting the following amendment to **Article III**, Zoning By-law:

In the tables in **Sections U-A** and **U-B** change the minimum front, side, and rear yard dimensions to 60, 30 (40 in the Industrial District), and 40 respectively. In **UI-B**, change the heading from "Accessory Buildings" to "Accessory and Agricultural Buildings". Add a new paragraph: **"UI-B. 2.** Any building designed or used for agricultural purposes shall be located no nearer than 60 feet to a public way and 40 feet to a property line."

So voted 54 yes, 42 no 9:14 p.m. 5-29-86

**Article 43.** Motion made and seconded to apply Intensity Regulations to buildings (such as schools, hospitals, churches, etc.) not now regulated in the Residential and the Agricultural-Residential Districts by adopting the following changes to the Zoning By-law:

(a) In **U-B** after the word "structure" insert "other than a dwelling". Strike the words "a Business or Industrial District" and replace with "any District".

(b) In the table in **U-B**, add lines for two more Districts, one for Residence, another for Agricultural-Residence, the

minimum and maximums for each column to be exactly the same as in the table in **U-A**, with the exception that there are no floor area requirements.

So voted unan. at 9:19PM on May 29, 1986. (Approved by AG)

**Article 44.** Motion made and seconded to take no action to require that each building be on a lot which has its own private driveway to a public way or a way in an approved sub-division and that driveways in required sideyards serve only dwellings by adopting the following addition to the Zoning By-law:

In **Section VI**, add a new subparagraph:

**VI-F. Driveway Regulations**

1. All buildings hereinafter erected (except accessory buildings) shall be on lots which have their own private driveways to a public way.
2. Driveways for the use of any for-profit enterprise shall not be located in required sideyards.

So voted unan. 10:14 p.m. 5-29-86

**Article 45.** Motion made and seconded to take from the Board of Appeals the power to allow business and industrial uses in the Flood District by adopting the following amendment to the Zoning By-law:

In **VI-C Flood Plain Restrictions**, change "as set forth in Sections **IV-A** through **IV-D**" to "as set forth in Sections **IV-A** and **IV-B**"

So voted 75 yes, 21 no at 10:30PM May 29, 1986. (Approved by AG)

**Article 46.** Motion made and seconded to reduce the size of free-standing signs from 50 square feet to 25 square feet and re-define the setbacks of such signs by adopting the following changes to Section **VI-E.2.e.** of the Zoning By-law:

- (a) Strike "neither sign to exceed fifty (50) square feet or" and replace with the words "signs on buildings not to exceed fifty (50) square feet and free-standing signs not to exceed twenty-five (25) square feet, neither class to".

(b) Strike "not closer than thirty-five (35) feet to the center line of a travelled way" and replace with the words "not closer than fifteen (15) feet to the edge of a travelled way".

So voted, 92 yes, 9 no at 10.45PM May 29, 1986. (Approved by AG)

**Article 47:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to adopt the following By-law regulating mass gatherings, to be known as **Article XIV** of the Town By-laws:

I. PURPOSE: To protect the public health and safety, to relieve traffic congestion, to prevent disease and illness, to prevent vehicular accidents and bodily injury, and to promote the general welfare of residents and visitors.

II. DEFINITION: A mass gathering is any outdoor public event which, in the opinion of the Board of Selectmen, is likely to be attended by a total of 300 or more people in its permitted duration and to continue for four hours or more.

### III. REGULATIONS:

1. If food or beverage is served, a common victualer's license must be obtained from the Board of Health.

2. Licensed Emergency Medical Technicians shall be on the premises of a mass gathering at such times and in such numbers as shall be directed by the Board of Selectmen.

3. An officer satisfactory to the Chief of Police, paid by the mass gathering operator, shall be on duty to control traffic at all entrances and exits to mass gatherings, unless other arrangements satisfactory to the Chief of Police have been made. Officers directing traffic at mass gatherings shall give priority to through traffic.

4. Fifty percent of the area on which a mass gathering is to be held shall be reserved for visitor parking.

5. Toilet and handwashing facilities shall be provided at a rate set by the Board of Health.

6. Drinking water, with quantity and quality satisfactory to the Board of Health, shall be provided.

7. All buildings and tents on a mass-gathering site shall have at least one fire extinguisher of a type and condition satisfactory to the Fire Chief.

8. All wiring and electrical service shall be satisfactory to the Electrical Inspector under current codes.



9. Sites of mass gatherings shall be buffered from public rights of way by a strip of land fifteen feet deep which contains no structures (other than fences), merchandise, vehicles, or persons (other than those entering or exiting).

10. The number of persons on the site shall not exceed the number in the permit application.

#### IV. ENFORCEMENT:

1. The Board of Health, Fire Chief, Police Chief, Building Inspector, Electrical Inspector, Board of Selectmen, and/or their agents, shall have access at all reasonable times to mass gatherings.

2. No person shall hold a mass gathering unless a permit has been issued under this law. Applications shall be made at least 45 days prior to the event.

3. Applications for permits shall contain: (a) the name, age, residence, mailing address and telephone number of the applicant; (b) a statement of the applicant's legal status, such as individual, partnership, corporation, etc.; (c) the location and legal description of the property where the event is proposed; (d) a plot plan of the property showing area, dimensions, the area reserved for visitor parking, the location and number of toilets, drinking water and handwashing facilities, water supply sources, and fire extinguishers; (e) the total number of persons to be allowed on the site, including staff, at any one time, which shall be determined by dividing the square footage of the premises (excluding buildings and parking areas) by fifty; (f) a list of the steps the applicant has taken to comply with the regulations of Section III.

4. The Board of Selectmen shall grant a permit when satisfied that provision for meeting the requirements of this By-law have been made. Permits may be automatically renewed by the Selectmen for additional gatherings within the calendar year without new applications, provided there have been no violations.

5. Any violation of this By-law shall be cause for the police to deny access to the premises, acting either on their own authority or at the request of any of the officials listed in paragraph IV.1.

6. Violations of this By-law may also be punished in court by a fine of \$200 per day.

So voted, overwhelmingly 11:06 p.m. 5-29-86

**Article 48:** Motion made and seconded to accept a Professional Development Grant for the Tantasqua Regional District payable on February 15, 1986, August 15, 1986, February 15, 1987 and August 15, 1987, for

the purpose of increasing teacher compensation under the provisions of Section 13 of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985.

So voted unan. 11:16 p.m. 5-29-86

**Article 49:** Motion made and seconded to accept a Professional Development Grant for the Brimfield Elementary School payable on February 15, 1986, August 15, 1986, February 15, 1987 and August 15, 1987, for the purpose of increasing teacher compensation under the provisions of Section 13 of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985.

So voted unan. 11:16 p.m. 5-29-86

**Article 50:** Motion made and seconded to accept an Equal Educational Opportunity Grant for fiscal year 1987 in the amount of \$28,200.00 under the provisions of G.L. Chapter 70A, Section 5, as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant shall be expended by the School Committee for direct service expenditures.

So voted unan. 11:20 p.m. 5-29-86

**Article 51:** Motion made and seconded to accept an Equal Educational Opportunity Grant for fiscal year 1987 in the amount of \$1,190.00 under the provisions of G.L. Chapter 70A, Section 5, as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant shall be expended by the School Committee for direct service expenditures.

So voted, unan 11:21 p.m. 5-29-86

**Article 52:** Motion made and seconded to direct the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to enact the following special legislation strictly to the terms petitioned for by the town meeting excepting editorial and technical corrections:

"A bill providing for the establishment and administration of rent regulations and the control of evictions in mobile home park accommodations in the Town of Brimfield."

Section 1. Declaration of Emergency. The General Court finds and declares that a serious public emergency exists with respect to the housing of a substantial number of citizens in the Town of Brimfield, which emergency has been created by excessive, abnormally high and unwarranted rental increases imposed by some owners of mobile parks located therein; that unless mobile home park rents and eviction of tenants are regulated and controlled, such emergency will produce serious threats to the public health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of said town, particularly the elderly; that such emergency should be met by the Commonwealth immediately and with due regard for the rights and responsibilities of the Town of Brimfield.

Section 2. General Powers. The Town of Brimfield may, by its By-laws, regulate rents for the use or occupancy of mobile home park



accommodations in said town, establish a rent board for the purpose of regulating rents, minimum standards for use or occupancy of mobile home park accommodations and eviction of tenants therefrom and may, by its By-laws, require registration by owners of mobile home park accommodations, under penalty of perjury, of information relating to the mobile home park accommodations. Such rents, standards and evictions may be regulated by the rent board so as to remove hardships or correct inequities for both the owner and the tenants of such mobile home park accommodations. Said rent board shall have all powers necessary or convenient to perform its functions, may make rules and regulations, require registration by owners of mobile home park accommodations, under penalty of perjury, of information relating to the mobile park accommodations, sue and be sued, compel the attendance of persons and the production of papers and information, and issue appropriate orders which shall be binding on both the owner and tenants of such mobile home park accommodations. Violations of any By-laws adopted pursuant to this act or any order of said rent board shall be punishable by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars for any one offense.

Section 3. Standard for Adjusting Rents. (a) In regulating rents, for such mobile home park accommodations, the rent board established under section one may make such individual or general adjustments, either upward or downward, as may be necessary to assure that rents for mobile home park accommodations in said town are established at levels which yield to owners a fair net operating income for such units. Fair net operating income shall be that income which will yield a return, after all reasonable operating expenses, on the fair market value of the property equal to the debt service rate generally available from institutional first mortgage lenders or such other rates of return as the board, on the basis of evidence presented before it deems more appropriate to the circumstances of the case. The fair market value of the property shall be the assessed valuation of the property or such other valuation as the board, on the basis of evidence presented before it, deems more appropriate to the circumstances of the case.

(b) Said town in its By-laws or said rent board by regulation may establish further standards and rules consistent with this act.

Section 4. Incorporation of Administrative Procedure Act. The provisions of Chapter 30A of the General Laws shall be applicable to the rent board, established under section one, as if said rent board were an agency of the Commonwealth, including those provisions giving agencies the power to issue, vacate, modify and enforce subpoenas, and those provisions relating to judicial review of an agency order.

Section 5. Conference of Jurisdiction. (a) The eastern Hampden division of the district court department shall have original jurisdiction, concurrently with the superior court, of all petitions for review brought pursuant to section fourteen of Chapter 30A of the General Laws

(b) The superior court shall have jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this act and any By-laws adopted thereunder and may restrain violations



thereof.

Section 6. Defense to Summary Process for Possession. The Town of Brimfield may by its By-laws regulate the eviction of tenants and the rent board, established under section one, may issue orders which shall be a defense to an action of summary process for possession and such orders shall be reviewable pursuant to sections two and three.

Section 7. Exemption from Civil Service The personnel of the rent board established under section one shall not be subject to the provisions of section 9A of Chapter 30 of the General Laws or of Chapter 31 of the General Laws.

Section 8. Severability. If any provision of this act or the application of such provision to any person or circumstances shall be held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this act and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Section 9. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

So voted overwhelmingly, 11:27 p.m. 5-27-86

**Article 53:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to accept the following:

Amendement No. \_\_\_\_ To  
The Agreement Establishing  
The Tantasqua Regional School District

The Agreement establishing the Tantasqua Regional School District, as heretofore amended, is hereby further amended by striking out Section IV and inserting in its place the following section:--

IV. Transportation

For fiscal years commencing on or after July 1, 1986, school transportation to and from the regional school district shall be furnished by the Regional School District and the cost thereof shall constitute part of its operating costs. The Regional District School Committee will, if petitioned to do so, contract with any one or more or with a group of Participating Towns for the furnishing of all or part of the transportation requirements of the District for pupils residing in such Participating Town.

So voted unan., 11:27 p.m. 5-29-86

**Article 54:** Motion made and seconded to authorize the Selectmen to form a Solid Waste Disposal Committee of (5) members to investigate the various possibilities of disposing the town's and the town's residents

solid waste. Said committee to report back to the Annual Town Meeting of 1987 with recommendations as to a course of action.

So voted unan. 7:20 p.m. 6-3-86

**Article 55:** Motion made and seconded to rescind the directions given to a Map Commission created at the Special Town Meeting of October 15, 1985, in that they did not conform with the procedure required by Chapter 40A for zoning changes and would be costly to implement, and replace them with new directions to make the roads, streams, and bodies of water on the official town map and official zoning map conform to those of the latest quadrangle maps of Brimfield published by the U.S. Geological Survey; and further direct the Commission to work with Planning Board and employ a certified engineer, and authorize it to work photographically, by hand, or both, from either the existing official maps or certified copies. The final versions of each map, when signed and certified by the Commission and the engineer to be in the fulfillment of this article, are to be the official maps brought before the annual town meeting of May 1987 for acceptance.

So voted unan. 8:05 p.m. 6-3-86

**Article 56:** Motion made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$2,000 to accomplish the work of the Map Commission in the previous article and to make any necessary mylars, master negatives, etc. which will provide the potential to print map copies for town officials and residents

So voted unan. 8:23 p.m. 6-23-86

**Article 57:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to have any elected or appointed official or officer who fails to attend 3 out of 4 consecutively called meeting of their Board, Committee, or Commission (with the exception of a major medical problem) shall be deemed to have resigned, and their office shall be declared to be vacant, and shall be filled as prescribed by law.

So voted overwhelmingly 8.24 p.m. 6-3-86

Motion made and seconded to make the following addition to the by-laws:

**Article 58.** "No alteration of any land within the boundaries of a public way shall be made for driveways, private ways, or otherwise, except by the Town of Brimfield upon authorization of the Highway Superintendent. Any owner or occupant of land abutting a public way who desires any alteration of land within a public way shall file with the Highway Superintendent a written proposal specifying the location, dimensions, and purposes of the desired alteration. The Highway Superintendent shall within ten (10) days of such filing deny same, request further information, or approve same. The Highway Superintendent shall direct the Highway Department, land owner, or occupant filing to effect the alteration at the owner's or occupant's expense. The owner or occupant shall be responsible

for any debris or material that comes from such access onto Town property. The Town shall not be responsible for any run-off of water or material that may be allowed to enter the owner or occupant's land because of such access or alteration.

The Building Inspector before issuing a new Building Permit shall first ascertain that the above By-Law has been complied with."

So voted unan. at 8:32PM June 3, 1986. (Approved by AG)

**Article 59:** Motion made and seconded to accept, a roadway, described as follows,

#### CUBLES DRIVE

Said Road having a total length of 1241 feet and consisting of a fifty foot right-of-way with two twenty-foot wide lanes and two five-foot shoulders.

Said Road to start with the western end of the right-of-way currently owned by Carolyn H. Adams and Shirley E. Frye which borders on Brookfield Road and end at a line 1241 feet in an easterly direction from said western end.

So voted, 73 yes, 36 no 9:00 p.m.

**Article 60:** Motion made and seconded to provide a public access to Lake Sherman by accepting as a gift a parcel of land currently owned by Carolyn H. Adams and Shirley E. Frye with the condition of use to be recommended by the Conservation Commission in order to insure conformance with the Wetlands Regulations of the Commonwealth of Mass. and described as follows:

"Starting at the SW corner of the property belonging to Roland H. and Annie M. Leduc on Cubles Drive in the Town of Brimfield and going West on Cubles Drive approximately 150 feet;

Then North approximately 294 feet to the shore of Lake Sherman;

Then East along the shore to the NW corner of Leduc property previously mentioned;

Then South, 276.1 feet to the starting point."

Said property is approximately 1 acre.

So voted 69 yes, 33 no 9:49 p.m. 6-3-86

**Article 61:** Motion made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$900 to provide for surveying and conveying of the deed to transfer ownership of property described in the above article from Carolyn H. Adams and Shirley



E. Frye to the Town of Brimfield as stated in articles 59 and 60 above

So voted overwhelmingly, 9:45 p.m. 6-3-86

**Article 62:** Motion made and seconded to accept the provisions of Chapter 40 Section 57 of the Massachusetts General Laws, which will authorize the town to withhold certain licenses and permits to individuals who are delinquent in paying any local taxes, fees, or other municipal charges. The wording of Chapter 40 Section 57 is as follows:

"Any city and town which accepts the provisions of this section, may by by-law or ordinance deny any application for, or revoke or suspend any local license or permit including renewals and transfers issued by any board, officer, department for any person, corporation or business enterprise who has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or any other municipal charges. Such by-law or ordinances shall provide that:

(a) The tax collector or other municipal official responsible for records of all municipal taxes, assessments, betterments and other municipal charges, hereinafter referred to as the tax collector, shall annually furnish to each department, board, commission or division, hereinafter referred to as the licensing authority, that issues licenses or permits including renewals and transfers, a list of any person, corporation, or business enterprise, hereinafter referred to as the party, that has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges for not less than a twelve month period, and that such party has not filed in good faith a pending position before the appellate tax board.

(b) The licensing authority may deny, revoke or suspend any license or permit, including renewals and transfers of any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the licensing authority from the tax collector, provided, however, that written notice is given to the party and the tax collector, as required by applicable provisions of law, and the party is given a hearing, to be held not earlier than fourteen days after said notice. Said list shall be *prima facie* evidence for denial, revocation or suspension of said license or permit to any party. The tax collector shall have the right to intervene in any hearing conducted with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any findings made by the licensing authority with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension shall be made only for the purpose of such proceeding and shall not be relevant to or introduced in any other proceeding at law, except for any appeal from such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any license denied, suspended, or revoked under this section shall not be reissued or renewed until the license authority received a certificate issued by the tax collector that the party is in good standing with respect to any and all local taxes, fees, assessment, betterments or other municipal charges, payable to the municipality as the date of issuance of said certificate.

(c) Any party shall be given an opportunity to enter into a payment agreement, thereby allowing the licensing authority to issue a certificate

indicating said limitations to the license or permit and the validity of said license shall be conditioned upon the satisfactory compliance with said agreement. Failure to comply with said agreement shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of said license or permit; provided, however, that the holder be given notice and a hearing as required by applicable provisions of law.

(d) The board of selectmen may waive such denial, suspension or revocation if it finds there is no direct or indirect business interest by the property owner, its officers or stockholders, if any, or members of his immediate family, as defined in section one of chapter two hundred and sixty-eight in the business or activity conducted in or on said property.

This section shall not apply to the following licenses and permits: open burning; section thirteen of chapter forty-eight; bicycle permits; section eleven A of chapter eighty-five; sales of articles for charitable purposes, section thirty-three of chapter one hundred and one; children work permits, section sixty-nine of chapter one hundred and forty-nine; clubs, associations dispensing food or beverage licenses, section twenty-one E of chapter one hundred and forty; dog licenses, section one hundred and thirty-seven of chapter one hundred and forty; fishing, hunting, trapping license, section twelve of chapter one hundred and thirty-one; marriage licenses, section twenty-eight of chapter two hundred and seven; and theatrical events, public exhibition permits, section one hundred and eighty-one of chapter one hundred and forty.

A city or town may exclude any local license or permit from this section by by-law or ordinance."

So voted unan. 9:56 p.m. 6-3-86

**Article 63:** Motion made and seconded to amend **Article IV Section 6** of the Town By-laws in accordance with Chapter 40 Section 57 of the Massachusetts General Laws, deleting the present wording and substituting the following:

"a. In the event that the holder of or applicant for any license or permit issued by the Town of Brimfield shall be delinquent in the payment of any local tax, fee, or other municipal charges, the Board of Selectmen, or other licensing authority, shall have the authority to refuse to issue said license or renew said license or permit.

b. The provisions of Chapter 40 Section 57 of the Massachusetts General Laws shall be strictly followed in the enforcement of this section."

So voted unan. 9:59 p.m. 6-3-86 (approved by AG)

**Article 64.** Motion made and seconded to transfer monies from the Federal reimbursement for expenses associated with Hurricane Gloria (of September 1985) to the following accounts: Highway Wage, Highway



General, Police Salary, Police Expense, Fire Expense.

So voted, unan. 10:02 p.m. 6-3-86

**Article 65** Motion made and seconded to direct the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to enact the following special legislation strictly to the terms petitioned for by the town meeting excepting editorial and technical corrections:

"A bill authorizing the town of Brimfield to recall elected officials."

Section 1. Any holder of an elective office in the town of Brimfield may be recalled therefrom by the qualified voters of the town herein provided.

Section 2. Any qualified voter of the town may make and file with the town clerk an affidavit containing the name of the officer sought to be removed and a statement of the grounds of removal. Said town clerk shall thereupon deliver to the voters making such affidavit a sufficient number of copies of petition blanks demanding such recall. Said blanks shall be issued by the town clerk with his or her signature and official seal attached thereto; they shall be dated and addressed to the selectmen of said town, shall contain the name of the person to whom issued, the number of blanks so issued, the name of the person sought to be recalled, the office from which recall is sought, the grounds of recall as stated in said affidavit, and shall demand the election of a successor to such office. A copy of the petition shall be entered in a record book to be kept in the office of the town clerk. Said recall petition shall be returned and filed with the town clerk within thirty days after the filing of the affidavit. Said petition before being returned and filed shall be signed by fifteen per cent of the qualified voters, and to every signature shall be added the place of residence of the signer, giving the street and number. The recall petition shall be submitted, at or before five o'clock in the afternoon of the Saturday preceding the day on which it must be filed, to the registrars of voters in the town, and the registrars shall forthwith certify thereon the number of signatures which are name of voters of said town

Section 3. If the petition shall be found and certified by the town clerk to be sufficient, he or she shall submit the same with his or her certificate to said selectmen without delay, and said selectmen shall forthwith give written notice to said officer of the receipt of said certificate and shall, if the officer sought to be removed does not resign within five days thereafter, thereupon order an election to be held on a Tuesday fixed by them not less than sixty nor more than seventy days after the date of the town clerk's certificate that a sufficient petition is filed, provided, however, that if any other town election is to occur within ninety days after the date of said certificate, the selectmen may, in their discretion, postpone the holding of the removal election to the date of such other election. If a vacancy occurs in said office after a recall election has been so ordered, the election shall nevertheless proceed in this section.

Section 4. Any officer sought to be recalled may be a candidate to succeed him or herself and, unless he or she requests otherwise in writing, the



town clerk shall place his or her name on the official ballot without nomination. The nomination of other candidates, the publication of the warrant for the recall election, and the conduct of the same, shall all be in accordance with the provisions of law relating to elections, unless otherwise provided in this act. A majority of those voting at the recall election shall be sufficient to recall such elected officer; provided, however, that at least thirty per cent of those person qualified to vote, do so.

Section 5. The incumbent shall continue to perform the duties of his or her office until the recall election. If then re-elected, he or she shall continue in office for the remainder of his or her unexpired term, subject to recall as before, except as provided in section seven. If not re-elected in the recall election, he or she shall be deemed removed upon qualification of his or her successor, who shall hold office during the unexpired term. If the successor fails to qualify within five days after receiving notification of his or her election, the incumbent shall thereupon be deemed removed and the office vacant.

Section 6. Ballots used in a removal election shall submit the following propositions in the order indicated:

For the removal of (name of officer)  
Against the removal of (name of officer)

Immediately at the right of each proposition there shall be a square in which the voter, by making a cross mark (X) may vote for either of such propositions. Under the proposition shall appear the word "Candidates" and the direction "Vote for one" and beneath this the names of candidates nominated as hereinbefore provided.

If a majority of the votes cast on the recall question is in the affirmative, then the candidate that received the highest number of votes in the special election to fill the vacancy shall be elected. If a majority of the votes on the question is in the negative, the ballots for candidates to fill the potential vacancy need not be counted.

Section 7. No removal petition shall be filed against an officer within three months after he or she takes office nor within three months of the end of his or her term nor in the case of an officer subjected to a recall election and not removed thereby, until at least three months after that election.

Section 8. No person who has been removed from an office or who has resigned from office while removal proceedings were pending against him or her, shall be appointed to any town office within two years after such removal or such resignation.

So voted unan. 10:04 p.m.

**Article 66:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to amend the Town By-laws by deleting the following from **Article 11, Section 3**. Three

Selectmen for one year each; and inserting in its place the following:

Three Selectmen for three years each, one to be elected annually.

So voted overwhelmingly, 10:09 p.m. 6-3-86

**Article 67:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to adopt the following special By-law for the purpose of implementing **Article II, Section 3** as amended under the previous warrant article:

At the annual election in 1987, the following officers shall be elected: Selectman for one year, Selectman for two years, and Selectman for three years.

So voted unan. 10:10 p.m. 6-3-86

**Article 68:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to amend the Town By-laws by deleting the following from **Article II, Section 3:** Three Selectmen for one year each; and inserting in its place the following:

Three Selectmen for separate one-year terms.

So voted overwhelmingly, 10:12 p.m. 6-3-86

**Article 69:** Motion made and seconded to transfer from Revenue Sharing the sum of \$1,500.00 to continue the erection of street name posts and signs.

So voted overwhelmingly 10:13 p.m. 6-3-86

**Article 70:** Motion made and seconded to take no action to accept the following Lake Sherman Roads: Cubles Drive, Knollwood Road, Oakwood Road, Crestwood Road, Forest Road, and Echo Road.

So voted 49 yes, 48 no 10:35 p.m. 6-3-86

**Article 71:** Motion made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$4,000 for road maintenance at Lake Sherman; funds to be used at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen upon the request of the Lake Sherman Association or for any other consideration and the Selectmen are to create a Private Roads Committee, which is charged with coming up with a policy to integrate private roads with public ways.

So voted 62 yes, 27 no 10:44 p.m. 6-3-86

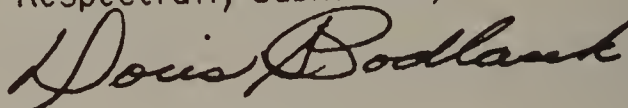
**Article 72:** Motion made and seconded to provide Real Estate Tax relief for certain persons of limited means over the age of 70 by voting to adopt the provisions of Chapter 59 Section 5 Clause 41B of the Massachusetts General Laws and that this action be effective for FY1987 and thereafter.

So voted unan. 10:52 p.m. 6-3-86

**Article 73** Motion made and seconded to provide Real Estate Tax relief for certain persons of limited means over the age of 70 and certain surviving spouses under the age of 70 and minor children by voting to adopt Chapter 59 Section 5 Clause 17C of the Massachusetts General Laws and that this action be effective for FY1987 and thereafter

So voted unan. 10:54 p.m., 6-3-86

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Doris Podlasek".

Doris S. Podlasek  
Town Clerk

Salary \$3,150



## ACCOUNTANT REPORT FY1986

Note: This balance sheet was prepared by Roland Chaffee who was paid to assist the former acting town accountant in the preparation of the financial reports for FY1986.

### BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 1986

Assets	
Cash	246,430.94
Accounts Receivable	
Personal Property Taxes	
Levy of 1976	23.76
Levy of 1978	464.61
Levy of 1979	652.37
Levy of 1980	1,797.51
Levy of 1981	3,921.92
Levy of 1982	1,653.62
Levy of 1983	2,492.02
Levy of 1984	473.65
Levy of 1985	2,639.23
Levy of 1986	56,236.85
Real Estate Taxes	
Levy (Unidentified)	(40,735.85)
Levy of 1979	32.04
Levy of 1980	(56.52)
Levy of 1981	4,504.66
Levy of 1982	10,800.44
Levy of 1983	31,796.73
Levy of 1984	89,966.54
Levy of 1985	67,044.83
Levy of 1986	249,852.19
Motor Vehicle Excise	
Levy of 1975	108.62
Levy of 1976	310.36
Levy of 1977	1,092.63
Levy of 1978	6,197.04
Levy of 1979	4,838.82
Levy of 1980	1,846.81
Levy of 1981	2,158.45
Levy of 1982	3,451.46
Levy of 1983	2,360.90
Levy of 1984	6,196.06
Levy of 1985	7,160.26
Levy of 1986	19,754.84
Farm Animal Excise	
Levy of 1976	102.00
Levy of 1977	153.20
Levy of 1978	163.60
Levy of 1980	252.00
Levy of 1981	167.30
Levy of 1982	70.00
Classified Forest Excise	
Levy of 1983	355.88
Levy of 1986	18.48
Special Taxes	
Withdrawal Taxes	12,642.03

Tax Titles and Possessions	
Tax Liens	45,603.36
Tax Foreclosures	4,219.02
Due from Commonwealth	
Veterans Benefits	4,875.04
Withholding Overpayment	33.84
Highway - Bridge Projects	3,507.01
Highway - Chapter 191	27,208.00
Highway - Chapter 323	16,727.00
Highway - Chapter 732	16,727.00
Due from Other Funds	
Due from Revenue Sharing	42,663.39
Due from Perpetual Care	18.34
Other Assets	
Prepaid Expenses	432.50
Net Funded or Fixed Debt	
Outside Debt Limit	140,000.00
Inside Debt Limit	40,000.00
Total Assets	1,141,406.78

Liabilities and Reserves	
Payroll Deductions	
County Retirement	20.64
Group Health Insurance	7,306.75
Group Life Insurance	44.68
Current Liabilities	
Unclaimed Checks	1,254.39
Notes Payable	
Anticipation-Highway Chap 191	27,208.00
Anticipation-Highway Chap 323	16,727.00
Anticipation-Highway Chap 732	16,727.00
Due to Other Governments	
Hampden County Doig Licenses	62.20
State Grants	
Elder Affairs Formula	1,411.80
School-EESA Title II	(2,047.65)
School-ECIA Chapter II	1,265.31
School- Title IV-B	864.96
Arts Lottery	25.00
Liability Insurance	4,000.00
Energy Resources	2,648.00
Right to Know Law	403.00
Highway Bid	300.00
Antitrust Suit-Elderly Food	67.49
Highway-Chapter 191	7,346.80
Highway-Chapter 234	42.67
Highway-Chapter 289	25.75
Highway-Chapter 323	4,309.32
Highway-Chapter 351	2.34
Highway-Chapter 637	26.50
Highway-Chapter 811	44,286.47
Revenue	
General	35,239.94
Highway-Chapter 191	2,448.93
Highway-Chapter 289	8.59
Highway-Chapter 323	1,436.44

Highway-Chapter 351	.78
Over/Under Estimated Assessments	
Underestimated-1986	(10.00)
Fund Balances Reserved for Appropriation	
School-EEO	1,190.00
School-Improvement	2,430.00
Workers Compensation Fund	1,180.46
Unforeseen Expenditures	79.36
Revolving Accounts	
Tax Collector Fees	194.02
Treasurer Fees	100.00
Building Inspector Fees	1,640.00
Electrical Inspector Fees	5.00
Plumbing Inspector Fees	(30.00)
Flea Market Police/Fire	21,801.68
Police Off-Duty	930.50
Parking Ticket	7,016.60
School Lunch	846.18
Overlays Reserved for Abatements	
Levy of 1981	(1,300.48)
Levy of 1982	(4,058.27)
Levy of 1983	9,498.06
Levy of 1984	20,286.83
Levy of 1985	(4,743.27)
Levy of 1986	20,616.14
Reserved for Uncollected Receivables	
Tax Liens	45,603.36
Tax Foreclosures	4,219.02
Motor Vehicle Excise	55,476.25
Farm Animal Excise	908.10
Classified Forest Excise	374.36
Special Taxes	12,642.03
Commonwealth	4,875.04
Unprovided for Accounts	
Appropriations	(64,604.74)
Revenues	(703.35)
Unreserved Fund Balance	651,480.80
Bonds Payable	
Outside Debt Limit	140,000.00
Inside Debt Limit	40,000.00
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	1,141,406.78

Respectfully submitted,

Karen A. Conners  
Town Accountant



# **Brimfield Ambulance Service, Inc.**

Wales Road  
P.O. Box 23  
Brimfield, MA 01010

Emergency (413) 245-7222

Business (413) 245-7334

## Annual Report - January 1987

The most important development of 1986 for the ambulance service was the purchase of a new ambulance. A year ago in the fall we faced the fact that it was time to schedule replacing our 1977 and 1978 ambulances or risk a costly emergency purchase if one broke down beyond sensible repair or failed to pass inspection. Then came a 350% increase in our liability insurance premiums, and as we prepared our budget in February 1986 we decided we could not ask the three towns we serve to help us with both the insurance increase and new vehicle costs in one year without any warning. We wrote the Selectmen in all three towns that fiscal '87-'88 would have to include a new ambulance and, in June, appointed a committee to set specifications for a purchase after July 1, 1987. However, in November we were fortunate enough to find at Yankee Coach, at considerable savings, a demonstrator model with a 1986 box on a 1985 chassis - an opportunity too good to pass by although it jumped us ahead of schedule. We have been able to finance this by using our Ambulance Fund savings, by realigning our current budget, and by securing a carefully researched bank loan. Now we need to plan toward replacing the 1978 back-up ambulance in three to four years, which means working hard to build up our Ambulance Fund savings. Donations and help would be gratefully received.

We would like to express our appreciation to this year's donors, many of whom faithfully help us each year. Our thanks for special gifts from Julianne Spooner (from her Encore Shop sales as well as a personal gift), Quinebaug Cove, the Woodbine Country Road Race, John Moran, Oliver Howlett, Richard Souliere and the Colonial Park Tenants Association.

Last January 1st we raised our fees in an effort to help meet the increased liability costs. Our former rates dated from January 1, 1984. We brought them up to surrounding market levels, for the first time charging a higher fee for non-residents than for residents of Brimfield, Holland and Wales.

Linda Collette, our Office Manager, has run four Red Cross Blood Banks, March through January, at the Hitchcock Academy with the help of volunteers from our staff and their families, and the Red Cross workers have praised the turn-out here.

In June we met with representatives of the other Brimfield emergency services, the Selectmen and Flea Market Operators to try to work out fair compensation for safe coverage during the Flea Markets.

In July a number of our EMT's took an exam to become certified to use M.A.S.T. pants (Military Anti Shock Trousers), equipment which will soon be required for Basic Life Support services. Two pairs of these (cost - \$860) were among the items we purchased this year.

Added to or certified for our staff this year are: EMT's - Edmond Warren and Patricia White; CPR - Denise Croteau, Dennis Parent,

Edward Syriac and Sean Weldon. Two new dispatchers, Debora Shaculumis and Glenda Warren, have joined the emergency services. We have the greatest respect and admiration for all the dedicated people who serve on our crews and as dispatchers. This is community service of the first rank. They are, as of January 1987:

Al Braught	EMT	Steve Modugno	EMT
Paul Blanchard	CPR	Lon Norton	EMT
Linda Collette	EMT	Dennis Parent	CPR
John Cox	CPR	Sue Phifer	EMT
Ron Cox	First Responder	Debbie Shaculumis	Disp.
Ward Cox	EMT	Steve Shaculumis	EMT
County Line	Disp.	Ed Syriac	CPR
Denise Croteau	CPR	Maryann Wales	Disp.
Steve Denning	EMT	Eddie Warren	EMT
Sue Lugay	EMT	Glenda Warren	Disp.
Janet Hastings	Disp.	Karen Weglarz	EMT, Disp.
Sue Hilker	EMT SP	Sean Weldon	CPR
Joanne Milani	Disp.	Pat White	EMT
		Peter Whitten	EMT

Special thanks to the Clarks at County Line who volunteer as daytime dispatchers when the crew is out, to Bob LaRochelle for donating accounting advice, to Ernie Blake for his expert advice, and to Lon Moriarty for his help with our food sales.

#### Board of Directors

Karen Connors, Charlotte Corry,  
Gail French, Robert Hanna,  
Ann Lincoln, Jean McGann,  
Richard Morris, Julianne Spooner





Brimfield Council on the Arts and Humanities

Report - January 1987

During 1986 the Council met twice to consider applications for cultural projects to be funded from the funds allocated to the town each six months. Projects funded in 1986 included \$500 to help support drawing and painting classes for adults and children offered by the Hitchcock Free Academy and \$500 for a photo documentary study of the Town of Brimfield to be prepared by the local photographer, James Collins. The Council is awaiting approval from the state Arts Lottery Council in Boston for three projects approved locally in October 1986 to be funded from the distribution in the January 1987 cycle. -

Respectfully submitted,

Crawford Lincoln, Chairman  
John O. Curtis  
Elaine Hayes  
Helene Lindblad





TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF  
BOARD OF ASSESSORS  
TEL. 245-9635

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

For the fiscal year 1986 (July 1, 1985 - June 30, 1986) the "Green" sheet estimate of incoming funds was as follows:

A. REIMBURSEMENT FOR LOSS OF TAXES

State owned land	\$28,705	
Flood control	28,476	
Veterans abatements	1,024	
Surviving spouses	1,024	
Blind abatements	256	
Elderly persons abatements	4,658	\$64,143

B. EDUCATION

School Aid, Chapter 70	264,853	
Transportation of pupils	26,211	
Construction costs	17,469	
School related transportation	8,217	
Tuition for State Wards	4,546	
Residential school tuition	5,080	
Additional aid to public libraries	672	
Transportation of regional pupils	52,316	
Public libraries	1,250	
School lunch program	2,168	382,782

C. GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Veterans' Benefits	5,621	
Highway Reconstruction	34,436	
Local aid fund (lottery)	66,483	
Highway fund, Chapter 81	27,298	
Non-MDC Communities 1984, CH 188	2,979	136,817

D. TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS, FISCAL 1986 \$583,742

"CHERRY" SHEET CHARGES INCLUDE:

County Tax	57,785	
Audit of Municipal Accounts	31,936	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	367	
Air Pollution Control	397	90,485

Prior year underestimates to be raised 13

Prior year overestimated to be used as available funds - 155 49

Total charges, FY 1986 \$90,343



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Gross amount to be raised	\$1,962,624.75
Estimated receipts and available funds	819,367.00
Net amount to be raised by taxation	1,143,257.75

Tax Rate - \$21.74

Personal property valuation	2,586,450.00
Real Estate Valuation	<u>49,994,144.00</u>
	\$52,580,594.00

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Starkey, Chairman  
James Killian  
Anne Dutka

Robin Johnson, deputy assessor  
Susan Cox, clerk

Salaries:

Richard Starkey	\$500
James Killian	500
Anne Dutka	500
Robin Johnson	13,650
Susan Cox	4,000



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BUILDING DEPARTMENT

REPORT OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

A full report of this department is not available at this time. I was not appointed to this office until after the end of the fiscal year and the past records are not available to me at this time. The following is the total of permits issued by me (8/18/86-12/31/86) which will be included in next years report.

New Homes	14
Additions/Alterations	10
Swimming Pools	1
Garages/Accessory buildings	3
Woodstoves/Chimneys	6

The building inspector office hours are Monday nights 7-9pm in the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Keough  
Building Inspector



## CEMETERY DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

The Cemetery Commissioners take pleasure in reporting that the year 1986 joins three other years in this century as periods in which major capital improvements were completed at the Brimfield Cemetery.

In summary: 1928 saw the erection and completion of the wall and arches which border the west side of the cemetery; in 1935, an economic depression sponsored WPA project fund filled and extended the eastern cemetery area; and in 1966, the wall bordering the Wales Road was extended to the southern boundary line. In 1986, the following projects were completed:

New roads: 947 feet of roadway, 15 feet wide, was designed by an engineer to access the remaining cemetery areas. Loam and subsurface material in the roadway were removed and over 200 yards of gravel was compacted prior to placing an asphalt surface. A decision was made to penetrate the existing stone wall to facilitate layout and access to a functional grade plan. This decision required the erection of a new entrance with wall abutments to match the existing wall.

New equipment building: Past vandalism and deteriorating condition of the tool house (formerly a Hearse shed) prompted the undersigned to design and build a new equipment building. This 22 feet x 30 feet building of cement block construction is located near the southern boundary of the cemetery, in close proximity to the newly developed area and close to the Wales Road. The building was electrically wired by students of Tantasqua Vocational and does possess a 220 volt circuit.

New water system: During the construction period, a leak in the town water supply developed and caused the Cemetery Commissioners to favorably consider development of a separate cemetery water system. A shallow well with submersible pump is now located adjacent to the new building and a new connector line provides a good supply of water to the entire cemetery. Total cost of the new water system was \$1,520.65. This expense was paid from the fiscal year 1986 cemetery appropriation.

All other costs for the roadway, wall modification and new equipment building were paid from interest money that had accrued from perpetual care fund principal and in no way came from town tax money.

The Commissioners wish to thank the students and staff of the electrical department of Tantasqua Vocational for a job well done.

Also, our thanks to the Brimfield Highway Department for the input and expert grading of over 1,000 yards of fill and distribution and grading of loam adjacent to the new roads.

Llwellyn B. Norton  
James A. Adams  
Henry L. Pelletier



## REPORT OF THE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

In addition to routine maintenance of the cemetery, 17 burials were performed and 11 foundations constructed.

The total amount spent for perpetual care was \$21,087.64.

The total rown appropriation of \$2,755.00 was spent.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Phifer  
Cemetery Superintendent







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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

During the past year, the Conservation Commission held regular meetings on the first and third Tuesday of each month, and conducted several special hearings. In addition, the Commission made well over 100 site inspections to gather information for Determinations of Applicability or Orders of Conditions, and in response to complaints of possible violations of the Wetlands Protection Act (MGL Chap 131, Sec. 40) or the Forest Cutting Practices Law (MGL Chap 132, Sections 40-46).

Residents should be reminded that under the Wetlands Act, "no person shall remove, fill, dredge or alter a wetland without first filing a Notice of Intent with the Conservation Commission." Two brochures, "An Introduction to the Massachusetts Wetlands Act" and "A Guide to Freshwater Bordering Vegetated Wetlands", have been developed by Marcia Starkey and are available at the Town Hall and the Brimfield Library. They provide additional information about the Wetlands Act.

An Open Space subcommittee was organized during the year, with Jim French, Marcia Starkey and Charlie Seelig as members. They have been working on a preliminary draft of an Open Space Plan. When the Plan is completed and has been accepted by the town, it will provide Brimfield with an inventory of open space, historic sites, and recreational areas, and the town will become eligible for funding for land acquisition (up to 80%) through the Massachusetts Division of Conservation Services. The subcommittee is also recommending that a groundwater protection plan be formulated for the town as it becomes increasingly important to protect our water supplies.

The Lakes and Management subcommittee met during the early part of 1986 in order to review the Lycott Diagnostic Studies of Lake Sherman, Mill Pond and Little Alum Pond. In May the town approved an Article to purchase a parcel of land which will provide public access to Lake Sherman. Thus, all conditions of eligibility to apply for funding under the Clean Lakes Program have now been met, and the town may now apply for funding assistance in conjunction with the Diagnostic Feasibility Studies.

Henry Pelletier and Cynthia Powers continue to serve as members of the Quaboag River Watershed Association. This past year, in addition to sponsoring a River Day and canoe tour, speakers and films, the Association received funding from the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife to create maps and to generate an inventory of land ownership along the entire length of the Quaboag River.





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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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The members of the Commission wish to thank the Planning Board, the Building Inspector and the Board of Selectmen for their continuing co-operation and support.

A special thanks to Helen Sweeney, who has served as a member for many years, and as Chairman from 1981 until July 1986, for her dedication and commitment.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cynthia K. Powers*

Cynthia K. Powers  
Chairman

Herman Haven  
Jay Lee  
Gerard Morin  
Henry Pelletier  
William Pratt  
Cynthia Powers  
Helen Sweeney

James French, Associate Member  
Virginia Irvine, Associate Member  
Judith Sessler, Associate Member  
Marcia Starkey, Associate Member.

a guide to

FRESH WATER

BORDERING

VEGETATED

WETLANDS

in the

Massachusetts

Wetlands

Protection

Act



Common of  
Soft Rush (*Juncus effusus*, var.  
*Pylaei*). X 1.

Bordering Vegetated Wetlands (BVWs) are freshwater wetlands which border on creeks, rivers, streams, ponds and lakes. They are areas where the topography is low and flat, and where the soils are annually saturated. The Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act identifies them as areas critical to the environmental interests protected by the Act.

The types of BVWs are swamps, wet meadows, marshes, bogs, areas where groundwater, flowing or standing surface water or ice provides a significant part of the supporting substrate for a plant community for at least five months of the year; emergent and submergent plant communities in inland waters; that portion of any bank which touches any inland waters.

## SWAMPS



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ALDER



RED MAPLE

Ground water is at or near the surface for a significant part of the growing season, or where runoff from surface drainage frequently collects above the soil surface. Trees: ashes, red maple, elm, hemlock, white cedar, willow, larch, black gum, black spruce. Shrubs: alders, sweet pepperbush, azaleas, button bush, highbush blueberry, poison sumac,

## WET MEADOWS

Ground water is at the surface for a significant part of the growing season. Sedges, rushes, wool grass, blue flag, purple loosestrife, dock, smartweed, vervain, marsh fern, sensitive fern, boneset.



Smalling Fern (*Osmunda cinnamomea*)



American Bittersweet (*Saxifraga oppositifolia*)

## MARSHES

Vegetation exists in standing or running water during the growing season. Shrubs: buttonbush, sweet gale, leatherleaf, water willow. Herbs: arums, cattail, pickerel weed, reed and other grasses, rushes, water milfoil, sweet gale, water lilies, duckweed in floating layer.

## BOGS

Standing or slowly running water at or near the surface during a normal growing season. A significant portion of the ground or water surface covered with sphagnum moss. Trees: black spruce, larch, white cedar. Shrubs: azaleas, highbush blueberry, laurels, leatherleaf, sweet gale. Herbs: sedges, sundew, laurel, orchids, bog-cotton, pitcher plant, aster,



The Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act identifies Freshwater Bordering Vegetated Wetlands (BWVs) as areas critical to the protection of the environmental interests identified in the Act. (Certain other isolated wetlands and areas subject to flooding are also protected.) The interests are:

## PUBLIC & PRIVATE WATER SUPPLY

### GROUNDWATER SUPPLY

Bordering Vegetated Wetlands are areas where groundwater discharges to the surface and where, in some circumstances, surface water discharges to the ground water. During dry periods the water retained in the BWVs is essential to the maintenance of base flow levels in rivers and streams, which in turn is important to the protection of water quality and supply.

### FLOOD CONTROL

### STORM DAMAGE PREVENTION

The profusion of vegetation and the low, flat topography of BWVs slow and reduce the passage of flood waters during periods of peak flows by providing temporary flood water storage, and by facilitating water removal through evaporation and transpiration. This reduces downstream flood crests and resulting damage to property.

The plant communities, soils and associated low, flat topography of BWVs remove or detain sediments, nutrients (such as nitrogen and phosphorus) and toxic substances (such as heavy metal compounds) that occur in run-off and flood waters.

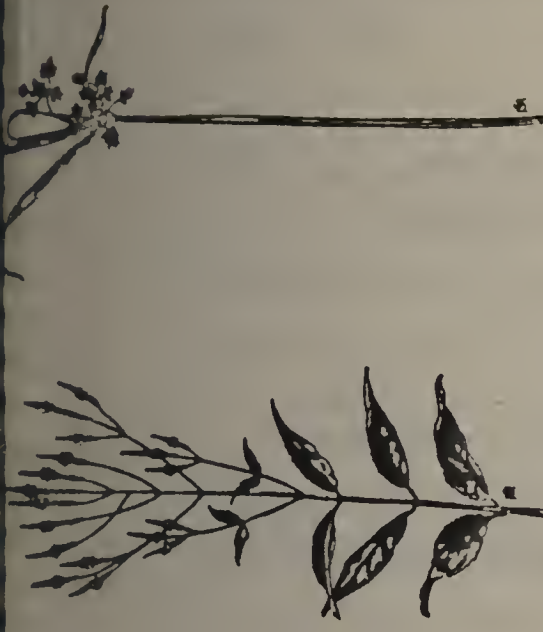
Some nutrients and toxic substances are detained for years in plant root systems or in the soils. Others are held by plants during the growing season and released as the plants decay in the fall and winter. This delays the impacts of nutrients and toxins until the cold weather period when these impacts are less likely to reduce water quality.

### WILDLIFE HABITAT (as of 11/1/87)

Wetlands, because of their plant communities, their composition and structure, hydrologic regime and other characteristics, provide important food, shelter, migratory or over-wintering areas or breeding areas for wildlife.

### PROTECTION OF FISHERIES

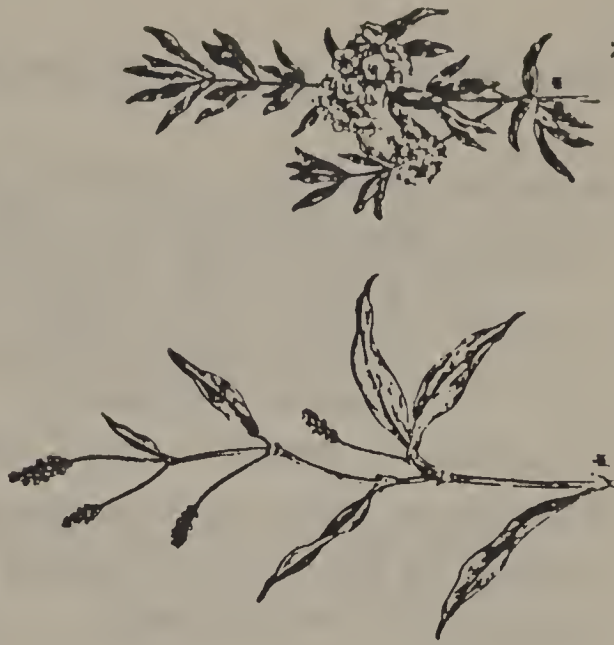
Wetland vegetation provides shade that moderates water temperatures important to fish life. Wetlands flooded by adjacent water bodies and waterways provide food, breeding habitat and cover for fish. Fish populations in the larval stage are particularly dependent upon food provided by over-bank flooding which occurs during peak flow periods, because most river and stream channels do not provide sufficient quantities of the microscopic plant and animal life required.



Blue Verbena (*Verbena hastata*). X 1/2.

Meadow Rush (*Scirpus atrovirens*). X 1/2.

The boundary of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands is the line within which 50% or more of the vegetational community consists of the wetland plant species identified in the Act.



Pennsylvania Persicary (*Polygonum pennsylvanicum*). X 1/2.

Narrow-leaved Laurel (*Kalmia angustifolia*). X 1/2.



## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1986, the Finance Committee voted the following sums from the Reserve Fund to various accounts:

\$ 565 to #701, Finance Committee Expense \*

\$ 300 to Special Bylaw Review Committee

\$ 250 to Map Committee

The balance of \$18,885 in the Reserve Fund reverted to the general fund. Typically the Committee votes unexpended Reserve Fund to pay accounts overdrawn at year end, but in this year Selectmen withdrew their request for transfers and none were made.

The year is notable for the accounting inadequacies brought to light in January 1986 when the town accountant resigned and the town's books were found to be incomplete and inaccurate. The Committee provided some assistance during the early stages of reconstructing the fiscal activities of the preceeding 18 months, but the situation was not resolved until a new town accountant and consultants were hired to help clear the books for FY 85 and FY 86, providing the best available starting balances for FY 87. These arrangements are satisfactory to the Finance Committee and we wish to thank Karen Connors for taking on the job under far from ideal circumstances. Thanks also to a steady hand in the tax collector's office and an experienced hand in the treasurer's office, cash flow and borrowing were maintained in such a way as to reduce interest costs to the town. The responsibility for timely tax bills rests with the Board of Assessors and with their cooperation interest charges could be reduced further.

### Current Fiscal Year (July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987)

Initiating our new year, Richard Sieweck was reelected chair, Richard Provost vice chair, and Pam Beall, secretary. New members Mil Givan and Bob Moses were welcomed, bringing the Finance Committee to full membership. We established a monthly meeting schedule to accomodate regular business and will commence weekly meeting January 19 until Annual Town Meeting.

We called for budgets to be submitted January 6, 1987 and requested that Selectmen provide a warrant of articles by February 2. The purpose of the Finance Committee is to draw up the budget and research all articles placed before voters, making recommendations about each. We frequently have been dismayed at the lack of documentation submitted to support requests for funding. We are often expected to accept an oral report, even when the

2) Finance Committee  
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sum is large enough to require formal bidding. To counter this we have asked all sponsors of articles requiring funding to complete a report form provided by the Finance Committee. This form will help everyone to be more accountable to the programs and projects they support and to voters who must pay for them.

As this annual report is being written, the town faces an awesome dilemma about what to do with our trash. With the Chicopee landfill closed to our contracted trash collection firm, Selectmen must provide for short-term disposal and at the same time consider what the town will do in the future. An estimate from one firm set a price of \$122,000 to set up and service a central transfer station in town for one year. This would be a \$50,000 increase over current spending for door-to-door pick up. In addition the town would have to provide for site preparation. If there is not better news by town meeting, an obligation of this size will prevent us from funding many worthy special projects.

The Committee always considers salaries and wages paid to officers and employees. This year, as part of the budget review, we shall endeavor to determine if officers and employees are fairly compensated for their work; our recommendations will reflect the adjustments we feel are necessary at this time. Further evaluation may be appropriate.

As of January 26, 1987, the following sums were voted from Reserve Fund to cover unforeseen expenses in Fy 87:

- \$ 1680. to #109, Accountant-expense
- \$ 1365. to #801, Workers Compensation Insurance
- \$ 2000. to #513, Cemetery Commission-expense
- \$ 600. to survey land at Sherman Lake
- \$ 2700. to #803, General Insurance

Respectfully,

Richard A. Sieweck, Chair  
Richard Provost, Vice Chair  
Pamela E. Beall, Secretary (\$50 honorarium)  
Douglas Kenyon

Judith O'Donnell  
Robert St. Clair  
Joseph Killian  
Milber E. Givan  
Robert M. Moses

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*for the*  
*Commission*  
*2-9-87*







BRIMFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT  
Wales Road  
Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010



MICHAEL L. WALES  
CHIEF

During the year ending June 30, 1986 the fire department responded to 95 calls and processed 96 permit applications. The following is a breakdown of the types of alarms and permits.

ALARMS:

Mutual aid given	11	False alarms	4
Structure fires	6	Motor vehicles accidents	14
Fuel spills	4	Motor vehicle fires	9
Brush fires	11	Chimney fires	21
Search & Rescues	2	Good intent calls	13

PERMITS:

Smoke detectors	75
Propane installations	6
Blasting	5
Oil burners	10

In the past year the Brimfield Firefighters spent 1237 total man hours at emergency calls. This shows an average of 50 hours per firefighter, for which the average salary was \$32.00 or 64¢ per hour. This is in addition to also attending regular meetings, training, and working in the station for which they are not paid for.

It was with this pay scale in mind that we requested an increase in the annual budget for payroll. While we requested \$4500.00, we were granted only \$3500.00 for which the firefighters are grateful for. However, we would still like to see the firefighters receive at least minimum wage for their time spent at emergencies. And with that in mind, we will continue to request pay raises until That can be brought to

In closing, I would like to thank the townspeople who have supported us in the past. Most importantly, thanks to the few townspeople who have given their time and their compassion and have come forward to be the town's firefighters.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael L. Wales, Fire Chief



BRIMFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT

Salaries

<u>Officers</u>	<u>yearly</u>	<u>hurricane Gloria</u>
Fire Chief, Michael L. Wales	\$1500.00	
Asst. Chief, Ken Weglarz	500.00	\$28.00
Captain, Peter Whitten	125.00	28.00
Lieutenant, Tom Brown	100.00	28.00
Secretary, Donna Hellyar	75.00	

<u>Members</u>		
Blanchard, Paul	\$27.36	\$28.00
Branchaud, David	25.08	28.00
Chapin, Bill	46.74	28.00
Collette, Linda	34.20	
Cox, John	79.80	28.00
Cox, Ron	75.24	28.00
Cox, Ward	28.50	28.00
Denning, Steve	45.60	
Dugay, Sue	13.68	28.00
Hanna, Bob	7.98	28.00
Hopkins, Joe	20.52	
Modugno, Steve	27.36	
Muller, Eric	50.16	28.00
Phifer, Rick	26.22	28.00
Phifer, Steve	11.40	
Shaclumis, Steve	37.62	28.00
Sherris, John	37.62	
Sutherland, Sue	49.02	
Warren, Ed	51.30	28.00
Wemyss, Larry	45.60	
Worth, Shirley	25.08	





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BOARD OF HEALTH

BOARD OF HEALTH

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1986

The Board has become increasingly concerned about the difficulty of adequately carrying out its responsibilities for two principal reasons; lack of access to persons with necessary expertise to perform certain inspections, and the lack of effective means of correcting irregularities of which we are aware.

For example, with respect to food service establishments, the Guidebook for Massachusetts Boards of Health states that its criteria for inspection "are intended to give the board of health member only general procedures for conducting a restaurant inspection. An inspection should not be attempted by a non-professional without expert guidance." This problem becomes more acute due to the proliferation of temporary food service establishments during the flea markets. A similar situation exists with regard to the inspection by trained personnel of existing and proposed residential sewage disposal systems.

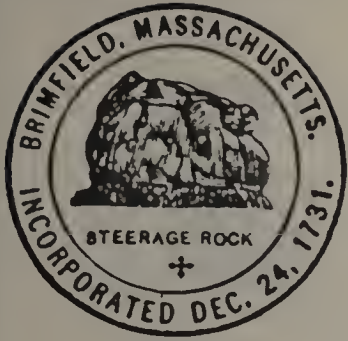
In attempting to deal with these problems, we have experienced a lack of interest and support from the state agencies having jurisdiction in these areas.

In view of these factors, we conclude that the only responsible approach to dealing with the increasingly complex problems that come before us is to obtain the services of a licensed professional sanitarian, either on a contractual basis or by joining a regional health district.

As of January 1, 1987, the periods during which percolation tests will be permitted are all of April and May.

The fees for various licenses are as follows:

Disposal Works Installers Permit	\$25.00
Application for Disposal Works Construction Permit	\$25.00
Common Victuallers License	\$20.00
Recreational Camp, Cabins, Motels, Trailer Coach Parks License	\$15.00
Removal, Transport and Disposal of Garbage, Offal or other Offensive Substances.	\$15.00



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BOARD OF HEALTH

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The Board would once again like to take this opportunity to advise the townspeople that the first step to be taken by anyone contemplating the building of a new dwelling or other new building where toilet facilities are required by law, is to comply with the state sanitary code. This includes having a percolation test performed by a licensed engineer or sanitarian and obtaining a permit to install a properly designed septic system before obtaining a building permit. The percolation test is to be observed and approved by Lyman Stanton, Agent for the Board of Health. Repairs to existing septic systems must also be performed under the direction of Mr. Stanton (telephone 245-9804).

Members of the Board of Health are unpaid. The Board employed the following persons in 1986:

Lyman Stanton, agent	\$920 per annum (health insurance cost)
Wendy Thomas, secretary	\$500 " "

The Board of Health invites interested townspeople to attend their regularly scheduled meetings on the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Lowenthal, Chairman

Clayton L. Thomas, M.D.

Edward J. Killian (absent)



TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
ROUTE 19 • BRIMFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS 01010

Report of Highway Dept.  
JULY 1985-DEC. 1986

THE MAJOR EXPENDITURES BY THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FOR THIS TIME PERIOD WAS FOR TYPE I PAVING AND OILING.

WARREN ROAD, AT A COST OF \$25,950.00

WARREN-STURBRIDGE ROAD, AT A COST OF \$23,738.00

BROOKFIELD ROAD, AT A COST OF \$79,907.00

HOLLOW ROAD,

KING BRIDGE ROAD,

OLD PALMER ROAD,

} AT A COST OF \$31,617.00

OILING VARIOUS ROADS, AT A COST OF \$3,787.00

SEAL COAT PUG MIX ON VARIOUS ROADS, AT A COST OF \$3,705.00

TWO DRAINAGE PROJECTS WERE COMPLETED, ONE ON AGARD ROAD, \$1715.00

AND ONE ON BROOKFIELD ROAD, \$1785.00

FOR THE MOST PART OUR WORK IS A REPETITION FROM YEAR TO YEAR. THIS INCLUDES SUCH THINGS AS PATCHING, GRADING OF GRAVEL ROADS. ROADSIDE MOWING, BRUSH CUTTING, PLOWING, SANDING, CLEANING CATCH-BASINS AND ANY OTHER TYPE OF WORK THAT WILL KEEP OUR ROADS AS GOOD AS POSSIBLE WITH THE FUNDS WE HAVE AVAILABLE.

KJP/DPW

Respectfully  
John L. Sherman





BRIMFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY  
COLONIAL PARK RT. 20  
Brimfield, Ma. 01010

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Equal Housing Opportunity  
July 7, 1985

Selectmen Town of Brimfield  
Town Hall  
Brimfield, Ma 01010

Gentlemen:

This is to inform you of the new slate of officers of the  
Brimfield Housing Authority for the year July 1, 1986 thru June  
30, 1987.

CHAIRMAN	MRS. NANCY PRESCOTT
VICE CHAIRMAN	MRS. GRACE STUART
TREASURER	MR. LEWELLYN NORTON
ASST. TREAS.	MR. CLARENCE KEITH
STATE APPOINTEE	MRS. ALICE ADAMS

Louis H. Lavoie  
Executive Director

*for annual Report*

**BRIMFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010

Fiscal Year 1986

Circulation: 11802  
Attendance: 6028

Interlibrary Loans: 301  
Total Holdings: 13735

Thanks to the Board of Library Trustees, our generous donors, some enthusiastic volunteers, and a supportive community, the Brimfield Public Library has again surpassed its previous year's record. We can all be proud.

In addition to our growing in-house collection, the Central Mass. Regional Library System provides us with a large selection of periodically replaced books in all categories, as well as answering our requests on behalf of patrons for specific titles or information on a particular subject.

Helene Lindblad, who is in charge of the Sherman Memorial Room, is present on Wednesdays only. Therefore at all other times, because of the increasing value of this irreplaceable historical material, visitors to the Sherman Room must be accompanied by a staff person. Miss Lindblad does research for our patrons and collects information of local significance for our files.

In the past five years our attendance has increased 107.9% and our annual circulation 77.5%. Since 1981 there have also been many programs initiated. Story Hours, exhibits of the arts and crafts of local people, film programs, book deliveries to shut-ins, Summer Reading Clubs, an Oral History collection, and Holiday Craft programs are now on-going events. The library circulates books, L.P. records, audiocassettes, videocassettes, filmstrips, and 16mm films. An emphasis on services to young people is a reflection of Brimfield's median age, which is now 33.

In the same five years our library budget has gone up 13.8% while the United States Consumer Price Index has risen 21.3%. Without our generous benefactors and some dedicated volunteers the library could not provide a full range of materials and services. (An adult fiction book which cost \$13.57 in 1982 now costs \$16.24. The average price of a juvenile book went from \$8.74 to \$10.95 in the same four-year period.)

These few years of growth and diversification have developed an institution which requires the services of more than one person during most of the hours that the library is open. With our continuing population growth these staffing needs will increase.

As the community grows and changes character, so must the Brimfield Public Library. Please look forward with us to another period of years of worthwhile service to you, our neighbors and friends.

Salaries

S. Clifton \$281.40  
J. Irvine 241.20  
H. Lindblad 482.40

B. Robertson \$4160.00  
J. Smith 376.70  
T. Suse 80.40

B. Robertson, Librarian

## REPORT OF THE MAP COMMISSION

The annual town meeting of 1986 directed the Map Commission to make the roads, streams, and bodies of water on the official town map and official zoning map conform to those of the latest quadrangle maps of Brimfield published by the U.S. Geological Survey.

Working with a certified engineer and the Planning Board, the Commission expects to present both maps to the town meeting of 1987 for acceptance, signed and certified by the engineer and the Commission to be in fulfillment of the instructions.

Two articles have been placed on the warrant for the town to accept the maps. Both articles have been carefully drawn, with the advice of the engineer, so as not to accept inadvertently roads not previously accepted, and not to repeal inadvertently zoning map changes made by previous town meetings.

The Commission expects to complete its work within budget and return a surplus to the town.

George Gross, Chairman  
Robert Hannon  
Charlotte Day Hudson  
Charles McGann  
Stanley Podlasek  
Judith Sessler

March 2, 1987

Salaries: ZERO





TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

ANNUAL REPORT

The Planning Board meets regularly on the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM in the Town Hall. All interested townspeople are invited to attend. We welcome input from all residents regarding the Zoning Bylaws and the future growth of the town.

The past year has seen a great increase in the number of "approval not required" plans to come before the Board. Brimfield has been in a period of rapid growth, which slowed somewhat following the increase in requirements for lot size and frontage which were voted at last May's Annual Town Meeting.

The Planning Board is now working on our first Subdivision Plan requiring action of the Board. This new aspect of our job, although very time consuming, is rewarding in that we can see first-hand how our Subdivision Control Law is helping to maintain the character of the town.

All plans, both those requiring approval and "approval not required" plans should be presented to the entire Planning Board at a regularly scheduled meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Beth St.Clair, Chairman  
Edward Killian  
David Killian  
Crawford Lincoln  
Susan Hilker, Secretary

No salaries



DEPARTMENT OF POLICE  
TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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CHIEF OF POLICE  
VICTOR J. MILANI

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

I take pleasure in submitting the Annual report of the Police Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1986. The present force consists of a Chief, a Deputy Chief, one Lieutenant, one Sergeant, and nine Patrolmen.

ROSTER OF THE DEPARTMENT

Chief

Victor J. Milani

Deputy Chief

William F. Roberts

Lieutenant

Donald B. Norton

Sergeant

Louis Iadisernia

Patrolmen

Harold Bose

Robert Boucher

Earl L. Cote Sr.

Patricia M. Coto

Donna L. Hellyar

Richard Kszepka

Charles McGann Jr.

Joel R. Norton

Alexander Schmid

Officers have been assigned to routine patrols and special assignments. In addition, officers have served at funerals, weekly church services, town caucuses, town meetings, road races, county fairs, and town elections.

The police department and the community at large were saddened by the accident that occurred on September 8, 1985, when Officer Charles Modugno was struck by a motor vehicle while directing traffic on Route 20. Officer Modugno has since retired from the Brimfield Police Department on a medical disability.

One new patrolman has been appointed to the department this year, former Palmer police officer Harold Bose. Harold brings to the department several years of experience he acquired as a result of serving as a police officer in the town of Palmer, Mass.

I was pleased to deliver a seminar to the Sturbridge Rotary Club on November 25, 1985 entitled the "Impact of flea markets on the town of Brimfield". The focus of this presentation discussed the flea markets from a law enforcement point of view.

The Department wishes to acknowledge the efforts of its emergency services dispatchers: Cynthia and Robert Clark, Linda Collette, Janet Hastings, Joanne Milani, Debbie Shaculumis, Maryann Wales, Glenna Warren, and Karen Weglarz.

During this past year Crime Prevention officer, Patricia Coto, has continued to be very active in the presentation of the Crime Watch Program.

We continue to urge you to report any incident or person you deem to be suspicious. Continued public awareness of crime prevention programs is a first essential step in combating crime.



### GENERAL CALLS

Ambulance Assists .....	5
Assists at fires .....	5
Automobile Accidents .....	31
Automobiles Recovered .....	5
Buildings Open .....	2
Disabled Motor Vehicles .....	19
Disturbances .....	21
Dog Complaints (referred to dog officer) .....	24
Vacant Homes Checked .....	59
Loose Animals .....	16
Objects on Roadway .....	2
Prowlers .....	9
Summonses and Supoenas Served .....	46

### INVESTIGATIONS

Arson .....	1
Assault .....	6
Assault and Battery .....	4
Assault and Battery with a Dangerous Weapon .....	5
Attempted Burglary .....	4
Attempted Indecent Assault .....	2
Attempt to Rape a Child .....	1
Breaking and Entering in the Daytime .....	7
Breaking and Entering in the Nighttime .....	13
Burglary .....	2
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny from a Building .....	3
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny from a Motor Vehicle ....	2
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny of a Motor Vehicle .....	2
Delinquency by Reason of Larceny over \$100.00 .....	5
Delinquency by Reason of Malicious Destruction of Property..	3
Delinquency by Reason of Possession of Alcohol .....	9
Delinquency by Reason of Class D Controlled Substance ....	3
Delinquency by Reason of Receiving Stolen Property .....	4
Discharge of Firearms .....	12
Disorderly Person .....	9
Indecent Exposure .....	3
Illegal Discarding of Rubbish .....	2
Larceny of By Check .....	28
Larceny of Motor Vehicle .....	2

Larceny over \$100 .....	28
Larceny under \$100 .....	14
Malicious Destruction of Property .....	3
Minor in Possession of Alcohol Beverage .....	12
Obscene Telephone Calls .....	7
Possession of Class D Controlled Substance .....	4
Possession of Dangerous Weapon .....	3
Procuring Alcoholic Beverage for a Minor .....	5
Rape .....	1..
Receiving Stolen Property .....	5
Robbery (unarmed) .....	1
Runaway .....	5
Trespassing .....	13
Violation of Dog Restraining Order (referred to dog officer)...	12

### CITATIONS

Motor Vehicle Warnings .....	42
Motor Vehicle Complaints .....	64

### PROTECTIVE CUSTODY AND ARRESTS

Arrests on Warrants .....	13
Arrests without Warrants .....	24
Protective Custody .....	2

### REQUESTS AND ASSISTS TO OTHER POLICE DEPARTMENTS

Arrests .....	5
License Status Check .....	12
Relay Summons .....	6
Relay Persons .....	4

### ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

FID permits Issued .....	26
License Revocation and Suspension forms Processed .....	18
Military Inquiries .....	7
Pistol Permits Issued .....	20
Police Reports Supplied (accidents and investigation) .....	42
References .....	3
Sunday Work Permits .....	1
Verify Motor Vehicle VIN for Title .....	9

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen for their continued cooperation. The Department also wishes to express its appreciation to the Massachusetts State Police for assistance received, and the residents of Brimfield for their continued cooperation and support.

To my officers, a special thanks for your loyalty and conscientiousness in the performance of your duties.

Respectfully submitted,



Victor J. Milani  
Chief of Police

OFFICERS SALARIES

<u>Officer</u>	<u>Town Salary</u>	<u>Detail/Flea Mkt. Salary</u>
Harold Bose	86.00	452.00
Robert Boucher	152.00	2,036.00
Earl L. Cote Sr.	174.00	1,612.00
Patricia M. Coto	60.00	1,456.00
Donna L. Hellyar	182.00	1,072.00
Louis Iadisernia	210.00	2,194.00
Richard Kszepka	74.00	1,092.00
Charles McGann Jr.	115.00	992.00
Victor J. Milani	2,350.00	2,164.00
Charles A. Modugno	58.00	1,192.00
Donald B. Norton	145.00	1,488.00
Joel R. Norton	84.00	1,356.00
William F. Roberts	40.00	0
Alex Schmid	54.00	492.00





TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
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SOCCER--Brimfield continues to have one of the most active programs of the five town T.R.Y. Soccer Organization. We had 104 participants in the 1986 season with two teams in each of the three younger divisions and one team in the thirteen-fourteen year old group. For those who may not be familiar with the T.R.Y. Soccer program, it is a non-competetive program intended to introduce youngsters to the basics of soccer. Over six-hundred and fifty children from the five-town Tantasqua Regional School District participate each year. If you are not familiar with youth soccer or have a child who has been hesitant to participate, we urge you to come up to the Tantasqua fields on any Saturday morning in September and October and see what it's all about!

Bob Bergstrom, Director

BASKETBALL--Basketball in Brimfield is an ever-growing sport. This year we had a ten percent increase in participation in comparison with last year with an enrollment of one hundred thirty boys and girls. In grades one and two, we have mixed boys and girls teams playing on baskets that are lowered. In grades three and four, we have separate teams for boys and girls playing on lowered hoops. Grades five, six, seven and eight play on regulation height baskets.

All teams faired well in the Four-town League standings. The season was topped off with a "Basketball Bash" for all players and their families held at Tantasqua Junior High School where players were awarded certificates of participation.

Ron Hevey, Director

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BASEBALL--This year was another fine year for the Brimfield Recreation Committee's baseball program. A total of ninty-eight boys and girls participated. There were two T-Ball teams for first and second graders, one third and fourth grade girls team that played in Sturbridge, a third and fourth grade boys team, that played their second year in the Palmer Midget League, and two teams in the ten-twelve division that also played in the Palmer League. With an eighteen game season, one team went on to win their division. The seventh and eight grade girls team played their first year in the Wilbraham League with much success.

Robin & Warren Bren, Directors

SWIMMING--We had fifty-one children registered for our Red Cross certified Learn To Swim program this past June/July. Unfortunately, the weather did not cooperate and turnout was less than anticipated.

Jean Davis, Director

Chairman's Report--I would like to thank the following people who have helped us provide successful recreation programs for the children of Brimfield:

.... Cindy & Bob Clark and Pam & Don Moriarty who convinced Coca Cola officials to donate an electronic basketball scoreboard for the Elementary School and a baseball scoreboard to be installed this season.

.... Carter Cooley and his riggers who erected the scoreboard and did the wiring.

.... J & J Promotions who hired the children of recreation programs to pick trash after flea markets and then made donations to the programs.

.... Lynn & Ken Lacey, Diane & Ron Heagney and Karen Bergstrom who have retired from the Rec Committee after having provided several years of valued labor and ideas.

.... A special thanks to Jean Davis who directed our Swimming Program.

.... The townspeople of Brimfield who voted to provide funds for fencing around the baseball diamond in order to create a safer environment for the children to play in.

.... And last but certainly not least, I would like to thank all the coaches, officials, team parents, Rec members and all others who have helped in providing quality programs.

If anyone has any ideas on ways to improve programs or would like to offer their assistance, please attend our meetings held on the third Tuesday of every month at the Hitchcock Academy at 7:15. Our committee consists of dedicated volunteers trying to make your child's recreation something special. Please feel free to contact any member of the Recreation Committee regarding how and when programs are offered and how you can help.

Fred Kozyra, Chairman

Recreation Committee Members:

Fred and Marilyn Kozyra  
Ron and Elaine Hevey  
Ray and Nilla Ciesluk  
Tom and Jane Clay  
Dave and Sandy McClatchey  
Warren and Robin Bren  
Ray Kelley

Russ Dubois  
Bob Bergstrom  
John Miller  
Linda Phaneuf  
Debbie Morin  
Joe Grise  
John Suprenaut

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

### School Committee

Harry A. Peters	Term expires 1987
James B. Powers	Term expires 1988
Susan Raymond (Mrs.)	Term expires 1989

### Superintendent of Schools

Roland W. Wilson	Brookfield Road, Sturbridge	347-9014
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### School Nurse

Pamela Gentile, R.N.	Holland	245-9855
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### No School Signal

Information will be broadcast over Stations WTAG, WARE, WESO, and WTIC between 6:30 a.m. and 7:30 a.m.

Transportation of pupils is provided both to the elementary school and high schools by the school committee of each town's elementary school. The decision as to whether it is safe or feasible for buses to run to the high schools is made by the Superintendent of Schools.

### School Committee Meetings

The fourth Tuesday of the month throughout the year at 7:30 p.m. at the elementary school.

### Entrance Age of Pupils to Kindergarten

Five years of age on or before the first of January following the opening of school in September.



TANTASQUA & UNION #61 SCHOOL DISTRICTS  
1987-88 SCHOOL CALENDAR

September

<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>F</u>	
		2	3	4	
--	8	9	10	11	
14	15	16	17	18	(20)
21	22	23	24	25	
28	29	30			

February

<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>F</u>	
1	2	3	4	5	
8	9	10	11	12	
--	--	--	--	--	(16)
22	23	24	25	26	
29					

October

			1	2	
5	6	7	8	9	
--	13	14	15	16	(21)
19	20	21	22	23	
26	27	28	29	30	

March

		1	2	3	4	
7	8	9	10	11		
14	15	16	17	18		(23)
21	22	23	24	25		
28	29	30	31			

November

2	3	4	5	6	
9	10	--	12	13	
16	17	18	19	20	(18)
23	24	25*	--	--	
30					

April

				--	
4	5	6	7	8	
11	12	13	14	15	(15)
--	--	--	--	--	
25	26	27	28	29	

December

	1	2	3	4	
7	8	9	10	11	
14	15	16	17	18	(17)
21	22	23	--	--	

May

2	3	4	5	6	
9	10	11	12	13	(21)
16	17	18	19	20	
23	24	25	26	27	
--	31				

January

4	5	6	7	8	
11	12	13	14	15	
--	19	20	21	22	(19)
25	26	27	28	29	

June

		1	2	3	
6	7	8	9	10	
13	14	15	16	17	(15)
20	21	22	23		

\* 1/4 Day

September 1 - Teachers' Workshop

September 2 - First Full Day of School

TOTAL 187

(Snow Days - 7)

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DEGREE</u>	<u>YRS. SERV. BRIMFIELD</u>	<u>TOTAL SERVICE</u>
Superintendent	Roland W. Wilson	B.S., M.Ed., Worcester State	20	32
Assistant Superintendent	Paul C. Gagliarducci	Ed.D., Univ. of Mass. M.Ed., CAGS, Springfield College B.A., Fitchburg State	2	18
Business Manager	Rosemary Joseph	B.S., Univ. of Lowell	1	8
Principal	Brady Fister	Ed.D., Univ. of Houston M.S., State Univ. of New York B.S., Univ. of Dayton	0	13
Kindergarten	Denise Ducasse	B.A., Anna Maria College	5	11
Grade 1	Constance Thompson	B.S., Madison College	3	9
Grade 1	Shelli Otten	B.A., Michigan State	0	3
Grade 1	Patricia Dufault	B.S., Worcester State	0	0
Grade 2	Kathleen Quirk	M.Ed., Boston College B.A., Holy Cross	0	0
Grade 2	Sharon Smith	B.S., B.A., Westfield State	0	0
Grade 3	Bonnie Brigham	B.S., Worcester State	0	1
Grade 3	Judith Pevay	M.Ed., American International College B.S., Univ. of Mass.	0	0
Grade 4	Lorraine Bellerose	M.S., Syracuse Univ. B.S., Univ. of Mass.	0	3
Grade 4	Chris Schell	M.A., Worcester State B.B.A., Univ. of Mass.	17	18
Grade 5	Adrienne Bencivenni	B.S., Russell Sage College, Troy, NY	4	17

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<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DEGREE</u>	<u>YRS. SERV. BRIMFIELD</u>	<u>TOTAL SERVICE</u>
Grade 5	Elizabeth Ahern	B.S., Westfield State	22	22
Grade 6	Martha Blanchette	B.S., Westfield State	3	8
Grade 6	Roberta Leacock	B.A., Regis College	0	2
Music (Vocal & Instru.)	Judith Smith	M. Ed., Westfield State B.M., Barrington College	9	10
Remedial Reading	Marybeth Home	M.S., Central Conn. State Univ. B.A., Univ. of Conn.	0	7
Art	Linda Allen	B.A., Univ. of Mass.	0	4
School Psychologist	Shawky Khoury	B.S., M.S., Damascus Univ. M.A., CAGS, Assumption College	0	10
Physical Education	Kelly Woodard	B.S., Springfield College	1	1
Speech Therapist	Elizabeth Charron	B.S., Worcester State	7	9
Mod. Special Needs	Paul Szolusha	B.A., Purdue University	9	9
Mod. Special Needs	Rita LaPlante	B.S., Fitchburg State	0	2



REPORT OF THE  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The school committee continues to be challenged by the conflict between its desire and obligation to provide the opportunity for a quality education for all the children of Brimfield and the financial cost of doing so. Financial limitations continued to have serious impact on Brimfield Elementary school during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1986 and on the budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 1987. The financial challenge is complicated by conflicting state laws which require the town to pay for the cost of "special needs" education thru the elementary school budget without limiting those costs at the same time that other state laws limit the total amount of income the town can raise by taxation.

The budget for fiscal 1987 is \$808,227, an increase of \$77,465 or 10.6% over the amount appropriated for the prior year. The most significant increases are for salaries of the teaching staff, including an additional teacher to provide for an expected increase in pupil enrollment, and increased costs of "special needs" pupils. Unexpected changes in pupil enrollment, staff resignations, or a change of even one special needs student can have a major impact on the school committee's ability to carry out the budget as planned.

The school committee has received no additional notification about the state Department of Education suit against the school committee seeking payment of certain special needs costs for a non-resident child. These costs were projected at an annual rate of \$33,000 and were retroactive to January 1983. The school committee, based on legal advice, maintains its belief that Brimfield is not financially responsible for these costs. There is nothing in the budget for these costs. Obviously, paying these costs would have a severe impact on the school budget.

On behalf of the people of Brimfield and as individual members of the committee, we thank Frances Tetreault for her many years of service to the town as a member of this committee.

As we face the future challenges of providing Brimfield children with quality educational opportunities within the financial restrictions imposed, we are encouraged by the positive response of people such as those volunteers who enable us to keep the school library open and all the other people whose continuing conscientious and dedicated efforts help to provide an education for the children of Brimfield. These people include Superintendent Roland Wilson and his staff, our principal John Gannon and our teaching staff, our teacher aides and learning disability tutors, Mrs. Alma Howlett and her cafeteria staff, our custodial staff, Richard Souliere and his bus drivers, and the Friends of Brimfield Elementary school members and supporters. The committee appreciates the support shown by each of these people and by all of the people of Brimfield.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harry Peters, Chairman  
Susan Raymond, Secretary  
James B. Powers, Tantasqua  
Representative

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1986

<u>Grade</u>	<u>K</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Sp. Ed.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Elementary	41	59	42	30	42	47	37	3	301
<u>Grade</u>		<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>PG</u>	
Tantasqua Junior		33	44	26					103
Tantasqua Senior					34	33	22		89
Tantasqua Vocational				6	6	2	2	2	<u>18</u>
TOTAL ENROLLMENT									511





FINANCIAL SHEET FOR 1985-1986

School Appropriations July 1985 - June 1986

\$730,762.00

Expenditures:Administration:

School Committee	3,908.91
Superintendent's Office	17,779.17

Instruction:

Principal's Salary	32,488.52
Clerical Salary	11,528.47
Principal's Office-Other Expenses	990.04
Teachers' Salaries	304,647.69
Substitute Teachers	6,522.50
Teacher Aides - Salaries	5,988.50
Supplies & Materials	9,150.13
Personnel Training & Travel	214.45
In-Service Training & Travel	201.20
Special Education Salaries (Perceptually Handicapped & Speech)	54,595.83
Textbooks	2,311.13
Library Services	365.93
Audio Visual	708.75
Guidance Services - Salaries	7,724.13
Supplies & Materials-Testing & Speech	1,948.79
Psychological Services	1,431.60

Other School Services:

Attendance	50.00
Health Services	7,848.34



Other School Services: (Continued)

Pupil Transportation	96,409.07
Late Bus Transportation	3,732.76
Special Education Transportation	43,590.00
Food Services	1,000.00
Field Trips	1,544.00

Operation & Maintenance of Plant:

Custodial Salaries - School	35,962.40
Supplies & Materials	4,251.76
Fuel	16,108.13
Gas	620.13
Utilities - Adm. Off.	286.43
Utilities - School	18,010.58
Maintenance of Grounds	138.80
Maintenance of Building	3,659.16
Maintenance of Equipment - Adm. Off.	474.51
Maintenance of Equipment - School	7,146.01

Acquisition of Fixed Assets:

New Equipment - Library	1,194.42
Replacement of Equipment - Adm. Off.	60.85
Replacement of Equipment - School	1,816.75

Programs with Other Districts: Regional  
and Private Schools

Special Education Tuition	45,322.35
Vocational Tuition & Transportation	-0-

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Total Appropriations Expenditures July 1985 - June 1986	\$751,732.19
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Estimated State Reimbursements:

Chapter 70	\$264,853.00
Chapter 71	86,744.00
Chapter 76	4,633.00
Residential School Tuition	5,254.00
Total Estimated Reimbursements	<u>\$361,484.00</u>

Total Expenditures	\$751,732.19
Less Estimated Reimbursements	<u>361,484.00</u>
Cost to Taxpayer	<u>\$390,248.19</u>

1986-1987 BUDGET

Administration	\$ 21,017.00
Instruction	483,525.00
Other School Services	157,913.00
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	96,369.00
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	2,574.00
Programs with Other Districts, Regional & Private Schools	<u>46,829.00</u>
Total 1986-1987 Appropriation	\$808,227.00

(\*Special Needs Program included in Budget)

2000 Instruction	\$ 59,405.00
1000,3000,4000 Series	45,000.00
9000 Programs with other Districts	<u>42,579.00</u>
	\$146,984.00

## BRIMFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

### Principal's Report

The 1986-87 school year has brought many changes to the Brimfield Elementary School. Both new staff and new programs have given us the opportunity to look forward with enthusiasm and excitement.

Dr. Brady Fister has replaced Mr. John Gannon as the school's Principal and instructional leader. Mr. Gannon provided Brimfield with several years of faithful, dedicated service and we wish him well in his new position as Assistant Superintendent at Wachusett Regional in Holden.

The school also said farewell to several other staff members who served the children of Brimfield well. Those people are Frankie Souliere, Carol Mimeault, Ann Dupont, Catherine Haley, Christine Monroe, Phyllis Whitin, Elizabeth Dickinson, Debra Gajewski, Judith Healy and Julie Gittens. In their place, Brimfield has welcomed Patricia Dufault and Shelli Otten, first grade; Kathleen Quirk and Sharon Smith, second grade; Bonnie Brigham and Judith Pevay, third grade; Lorraine Bellerose, fourth grade; Roberta Leacock, sixth grade, Rita LaPlante, special education; Shawky Khoury, School Psychologist; Marybeth Home, Reading; June Kingston, Chapter I and Linda Allen, art.

This year Brimfield has also received substantial financial support for several new programs. Funded by the Massachusetts School Improvement Act, known as Chapter 188, the new programs have helped to support a writing program, remedial math instruction, early childhood education and computer literacy. The most notable part of all these programs has been the acquisition of nine computers. These computers have been integrated with the existing school's curriculum and will help to improve our total school program.

Finally, Brimfield continues to plan for the future. The emergence of new home construction has signaled a need to study additional expansion. A building needs committee will soon begin its task to determine methods to handle the town's growth. The years ahead, therefore, promise to be both challenging and exciting for Brimfield's Elementary program. Those of us who work for the town's educational system look forward to meeting with parents, town officials, and other interested citizens as we strive to maintain the standard of excellence that Brimfield has come to appreciate.

Paul C. Gagliarducci, Ed.D.  
Assistant Superintendent - Union 61

(Acting Principal of Brimfield Elementary  
School, Sept. '86 - Jan. '87)

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Real estate development within our five town area during this past year has resulted in rather marked increases in student enrollment in Brimfield and Sturbridge. Brimfield increased its enrollment by thirty-three students and Sturbridge by forty-four students. Holland, Brookfield and Wales see many new homes in various stages of construction. All are predicted to increase our student enrollment dramatically during the next three years.

Brimfield, Brookfield and Sturbridge School Committees have recommended approval of Building Needs Study Committees to analyze the student housing needs for the next ten years. Each of these committees is required to report its findings at the next annual town meeting. This report will be used as a basis for any necessary building program.

School buildings, including the state and local approvals, require two to three years for planning and construction. School Building Assistance Bureau must be notified well in advance of the proposal to assure state funding. Therefore, we must begin now to have schools available for the increased student population in 1990 and 1991.

### CURRICULUM

While building needs are a definite concern, we must be sure to foster sound curriculum development to assure our students an excellent comprehensive education. During the past year many new and innovative curriculum improvements were initiated in our schools. Two new federal grants, CART and FLAIR, have brought \$242,768. to our towns to foster basic skills. Brimfield received \$57,593., Brookfield received \$50,627., Holland received \$52,314., Sturbridge received \$31,190., and wales received \$51,044. These grants included both personnel and equipment. They allowed us to initiate more effective writing programs in many of our schools and provided equipment and supplies to support this effort. Liz Dickinson, Director, authored the grant ably assisted by Dr. Paul Gagliarducci.



An Early Childhood Grant at Wales Elementary is another example of curriculum improvement and expansion. At Wales, four and five year olds are now attending an in-school program. Kindergarten students enjoy an extended day program all made possible by a \$45,000 grant under Chapter 188.

In Sturbridge, Commonwealth In-Service Grants in Writing and Computers serve to better train our staff in these critical areas. Another grant for the gifted funded for \$5,000 will extend the Sturbridge gifted program to grades one through three.

Brimfield Elementary with a planning grant of \$5,000 is working with consultants from Clark University to assess the need for a transitional program at the primary level. Dr. George Scarlet of Clark University will be working with the Brimfield Elementary School faculty committee during the fall to complete this work.

Curriculum at Tantasqua has included the development of behavioral objectives for all English and math programs, the development of a response to the evaluation report from the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Next summer, under Horace Mann Grants, approximately thirty teachers will work from three to five days to discuss, evaluate and rewrite areas of curriculum for both Tantasqua Junior and Senior High Schools.

Tantasqua Junior High curriculum has broadened and developed. Our writing program developed with University of Massachusetts continues to improve. Our social studies program has been revised to include a global studies program. These program changes together with the reorganization of the junior high school for more effective curriculum development and monitoring give our program vitality and strength.

Computer programs, now the new basic of curriculum, are developing rapidly in all our schools. Word processing, computer programming, and computer assisted instruction are now an important part of our curriculum.

Our special education program under the direction of Deborah Nowers continues to provide quality special education services to our district. Through Ms. Nowers' efforts, we continue to receive maximum funding from P.L. 94-142, the federal special education law.

During the past year, Tantasqua Regional High School was accredited by the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

We are pleased that the visiting committee commented favorably on the broad subject offerings at Tantasqua and the very friendly and well-behaved students.

Recommendations for building improvements made by the visiting committee are concerns. We have tried to address many of these in the 1987-88 fiscal budget.

Our curriculum supports a foundation of knowledge which sends our graduates to the most competitive colleges in the country. Early acceptances this year include Dartmouth and Holy Cross. Last year's graduates were accepted at M.I.T., Holy Cross, Brown, Colgate, Hampshire, Rensselaer, Swarthmore, Wellesley and U. S. Air Force Academy and many other colleges and universities.

Two members of this year's class, Catherine Cunniff and Charlotte Haller, were selected as National Merit Semi-Finalists. Four were awarded Letters of Commendation.

Finally, the next few years present many challenges. New building programs, financial constraints, increased student enrollment and expanding curriculum will pose many challenges both financially and programmatically. With your assistance, we will enter the nineties ready to meet the challenge of a new decade.

In conclusion, my thanks to the citizens of our district, the school committees, administration and staff for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

Roland W. Wilson  
Superintendent of Schools

# TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

## Teaching Staff Salaries 1986-1987

<u>Principal</u>	
Brady Fister	36,000.00 (pro-rated)
<u>Teachers</u>	
Elizabeth Ahern	22,416.66
Linda Allen (Art - Shared)	3,882.09
Lorraine Bellerose	16,000.05
M. Adrienne Bencivenni	21,876.60
Martha Blanchette	19,517.12
Bonnie Brigham	15,283.26
Denise Ducasse	19,310.56
Patricia Dufault	14,870.18
Marybeth Home	21,362.84
Robertta Leacock	15,799.60
Shelli Otten	16,419.15
Judith Pevay	15,902.82
Kathleen Quirk	15,902.82
Chris Schell	23,059.28
Judith Smith (Instr. & Vocal Music - Shared)	13,883.56
Sharon Smith	14,930.18
Constance Thompson	18,397.95
Kelly Woodard (Phys. Ed. - Shared)	9,409.96
<u>Speech Therapist</u>	
Elizabeth Charron	10,866.32
<u>Guidance</u>	
Shawky Khoury	14,117.48
<u>Moderate Special Needs</u>	
Rita LaPlante	15,799.60
Paul Szolusha	21,392.64
<u>Nurse</u>	
Pamela Gentile	6,827.60
<u>Principal's Office</u>	
Joan Erban	12,370.18
<u>Library Aide</u>	
Bronwyn Robertson	4.25 hr.
<u>Teacher Aides</u>	
Beverly Phiifer	4.25 hr.
Theresa Suse	4.00 hr.
<u>Custodians</u>	
Raymond Hebert	6.50 hr.
George Stanton	6.00 hr.
Roger Underwood	6.00 hr.



## **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN JULY 1, 1985 TO DEC. 31, 1986**

The Board of Selectmen has had an active 18 month period of service to the town, which is covered by this report. This period of time has seen five different selectmen in the office, each with his own ideas and goals for the town. There have been shifts in the policies to be followed in many areas.

The current Board of Selectmen has attempted to institute policies of non-intervention in the affairs of other boards and committees of the town. Each board or committee has a particular area of knowledge and responsibility and should be free to do its job within the guidelines of town Bylaws and State Law. At the same time, we have made ourselves available to any board which requests our assistance in any matter.

Changes in the Bylaws relating to the Flea Markets at the Annual Town Meeting of 1986 resulted in the current board's decision to lower the permit fees charged to vendors. Selectman Peter Field obtained a ruling from the state that, under State Law, the town cannot charge more for any permit than the cost of providing services required. As the Town Meeting had voted to pass along the charges for most services directly to the Flea Market Operators, an adjustment in the fees charged was required. The Board of Selectmen is still attempting to find a fair way to handle the licensing, vendor permits, and emergency services cost billing associated with the Flea Markets.

In late August 1986, the town was notified by Attorney Robert Christo, counsel for Charles Modugno, of his intent to sue the Board of Selectmen and the Chief of Police for damages as a result of Mr. Modugno's injuries sustained during the September 1984 Flea Market. This matter is currently in the hands of Town Counsel.

The state grant to restore the Town Common has been renewed. We are currently awaiting Land Court confirmation of the town's ownership of the Common.

A weatherization grant was obtained to enable the town to perform several much-needed energy conservation measures to town buildings. Bid specifications have been written, and we expect to go out to bid for this

work during 1987.

The Department of Environmental Quality Engineering has been successful in enforcing its claim that the new town well is a public water supply. The Board of Selectmen and Town Counsel are working closely with DEQE to bring the well into compliance with their regulations. If this well cannot be brought up to the standards set by the DEQE, it will be necessary to start again, with another well, planned and built according to their specifications. We hope to avoid this additional cost to the town.

The Board was saddened by the decision of one of its members, Peter Field, to resign in mid-term. After working for three months with only two members, George Gross was elected on January 26, 1987 to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term.

In closing, we would like to extend our thanks to the many volunteers in various elected and appointed positions in town. Through their dedication, the town has made it through yet another year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Brian N. Haley, chairman  
John F. Hilker  
George C. Gross

Salaries:

Brian N. Haley:

Jean A. McGann:

Michael H. Sullivan:

John F. Hilker: \$508.34

Peter D. Field:

Carol Goodspeed:

Report of the Tax Collector 7/1/1985 to 6/30/1986							
Tax	Del. 7/1/85	Committed	Collected	Abated	Refunded	Tax Title	Del. 6/30/86
<b>Real Estate</b>							
1979	\$32.34		\$0.30	\$30.00			\$2.04
1980	\$2.46		\$0.08				\$2.38
1981	\$5,727.25		\$1,200.43				\$4,526.82
1982	\$19,934.06		\$5,742.28	\$3,244.63	\$133.74		\$11,080.89
1983	\$27,764.00		\$7,506.78	\$2,835.26	\$6,383.19	\$592.02	\$23,213.13
1984	\$74,870.33	\$154.15	\$29,001.25	\$11,413.93	\$1,472.08	\$1,039.04	\$35,042.34
1985	\$755,096.87	\$33,157.43	\$700,703.66	\$24,841.16	\$9,794.38	\$3,726.44	\$68,777.42
1986		\$1,103,593.81	\$812,843.17	\$24,383.86			\$266,366.78
<b>Motor Vehicle</b>							
1975	\$108.62						\$108.62
1976	\$310.36						\$310.36
1977	\$1,095.93		\$3.30				\$1,092.63
1978	\$6,280.65		\$99.28				\$6,181.37
1979	\$4,924.63		\$85.80	\$19.80			\$4,819.03
1980	\$1,895.48	\$68.00	\$125.41				\$1,838.07
1981	\$1,104.97	\$12.10	\$54.81				\$1,062.26
1982	\$1,268.99		\$171.93	\$5.00			\$1,092.06
1983	\$2,252.68		\$190.38	\$149.83	\$64.78		\$1,977.25
1984	\$4,382.35	\$150.50	\$1,030.19	\$629.17	\$110.15		\$2,983.64
1985	\$17,191.99	\$30,235.73	\$41,815.70	\$2,514.38	\$1,114.86		\$4,212.50
1986		\$79,420.63	\$57,236.92	\$2,428.87			\$19,754.84
<b>Pers. Property</b>							
1976	\$23.76						\$23.76
1978	\$464.61						\$464.61
1979	\$652.37						\$652.37
1980	\$1,797.51						\$1,797.51
1981	\$3,921.92						\$3,921.92
1982	\$1,693.01						\$1,693.01
1983	\$3,188.55		\$38.41	\$1,172.13			\$1,978.01
1984	\$4,959.01		\$1,850.87	\$1,155.91			\$1,952.23
1985		\$63,497.38	\$59,594.07	\$1,264.08			\$2,639.23
<b>Farm Exclso</b>							
1976	\$102.00						\$102.00
1977	\$153.20						\$153.20
1978	\$163.60						\$163.60
1980	\$252.00						\$252.00
1981	\$167.30						\$167.30
1983	\$48.50						\$48.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$941,831.30</b>	<b>\$1,310,289.73</b>	<b>\$1,719,295.02</b>	<b>\$76,088.01</b>	<b>\$19,073.18</b>	<b>\$5,357.50</b>	<b>\$470,453.68</b>



Report of the Tax Collector 7/1/1986 to 12/31/1986

Tax	Bal. 7/1/86	Committed	Collected	Abated	Refunded	Tax Title	Bal. 12/31/86
<b>Real Estate</b>							
1979	\$2.04						\$2.04
1980	\$2.38						\$2.38
1981	\$4,526.82		\$789.86	\$69.12		\$83.20	\$3,584.64
1982	\$11,080.89		\$2,840.90	\$185.03		\$1,823.07	\$6,231.89
1983	\$23,213.13		\$8,220.52	\$231.66	\$110.88		\$14,871.83
1984	\$35,042.34		\$6,915.65	\$184.18			\$27,942.51
1985	\$68,777.42	\$210.68	\$14,219.57	\$210.68	\$390.06		\$54,947.91
1986	\$266,366.78	\$2,926.21	\$128,461.81	\$20,741.64	\$7,020.14		\$127,109.68
1987							
<b>Motor Vehicle</b>							
1975	\$108.62						\$108.62
1976	\$310.36						\$310.36
1977	\$1,092.63						\$1,092.63
1978	\$6,181.37						\$6,181.37
1979	\$4,819.03		\$108.90				\$4,710.13
1980	\$1,838.07		\$19.80		\$23.10		\$1,841.37
1981	\$1,062.26		\$7.50				\$1,054.76
1982	\$1,092.06						\$1,092.06
1983	\$1,977.25		\$6.68				\$1,970.57
1984	\$2,983.64		\$16.15				\$2,967.49
1985	\$4,212.50	\$2,775.49	\$2,405.51	\$615.61	\$43.91		\$4,010.78
1986	\$19,754.84	\$13,373.37	\$26,420.88	\$1,763.21	\$1,388.63		\$6,332.75
1987							
<b>Pers. Property</b>							
1976	\$23.76						\$23.76
1978	\$464.61						\$464.61
1979	\$652.37						\$652.37
1980	\$1,797.51						\$1,797.51
1981	\$3,921.92						\$3,921.92
1982	\$1,693.01						\$1,693.01
1983	\$1,978.01						\$1,978.01
1984	\$1,952.23						\$1,952.23
1985	\$2,639.23		\$96.18	\$124.81			\$2,418.24
1986		\$59,068.89	\$56,503.57	\$1,302.22	\$1,302.22		\$2,565.32
1987							
<b>Farm Excise</b>							
1976	\$102.00						\$102.00
1977	\$153.20						\$153.20
1978	\$163.60						\$163.60
1980	\$252.00						\$252.00
1981	\$167.30						\$167.30
1983	\$48.50						\$48.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$470,453.68</b>	<b>\$78,354.64</b>	<b>\$247,033.48</b>	<b>\$25,428.16</b>	<b>\$10,278.94</b>	<b>\$1,906.27</b>	<b>\$284,107.33</b>

SALARY AND WAGE INFORMATION

Jan. 1, 1986 to Dec. 31, 1986

Salary

Susan S. Hilker \$3225.00 for average of 30 hours/week

Wages

@ \$3.00/hour Jan 1 to May 24,

@ \$4.00/hour after May 25

Ann Lincoln

\$317.00

Susan Cox

\$158.00

DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES AS OF 4/1/1987

NAME	PARCEL #	YEAR	AMOUNT DUE
Adams, Adella S.	15-A-2.1	1984	\$626.63
		1985	\$96.77
		1986	\$340.46
Adams, Carolyn & Shirley Hicks Frye	06-D-12	1985	\$174.04
Ahern, Timothy	04B-A-16	1986	\$189.14
	04B-A-17	1986	\$406.54
			\$189.14
Antonopoulos c/o Rex & Jean Frazier	07-A-3.1	1984	\$1.00
Archambeault, Paul A.	06A-E-26	1985	\$11.45
		1986	\$10.87
B&C Gravel Co. Inc.	08-A-2	1985	\$210.68
Barr, Wayne & Betty c/o Goffredo	16-B-15	1984	\$760.76
Batrawi c/o R. Tetreault Land Clearing	05-A-3	1985	\$458.00
Beall, Tod M. & Pamela	14A-A-17	1985	\$260.80
		1986	\$658.72
Benoit, Michele A.	05B-A-10	1984	\$752.75
Blanchard, Joyce A.	14A-A-2	1986	\$880.47
Bouffard, Roger S.	06A-J-14	1986	\$543.50
	06A-J-14	1984	\$499.19
		1985	\$581.66
	06A-J-15	1986	\$6.52
Braica, Louis (Estate)	09-B-16	1986	\$445.67
Bren, Warren & Robin	01-K-1	1986	\$1,026.13
Brisson, Benoit J.	06A-J-2	1984	\$1,049.05
		1985	\$626.77
		1986	\$595.02
Brousseau c/o Escape Estates	04B-A-5	1986	\$260.88
Bruso, Gerald & Cynthia	13-E-1	1986	\$1,926.16
Cagnina, Kathleen	04-B-5	1986	\$17.39
	04-H-2	1986	\$193.49
Campion, George H. & Candace A.	05C-A-63	1984	\$160.16
		1985	\$183.20
Chaplain, Peter & William King	06A-A-7	1985	\$748.83
		1986	\$673.94
Chapman c/o Elizabeth Banks	04A-B-2	1986	\$123.79
Chapman, Brian M.	04A-B-2	1985	\$998.44
Clarke, Ida M.	05B-B-19	1986	\$2.17
Corbin, Andre A. Jr.	09-B-9	1984	\$320.72
Cornell, Connie	06A-J-37	1984	\$8.01
		1985	\$9.16
D'Angelis, c/o P. Nalle	10-D-2.1	1985	\$128.24
Demers, Jean Paul & Carol Marie	08-D-3	1985	\$1,023.63

DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES AS OF 4/1/1987

NAME	PARCEL #	YEAR	AMOUNT DUE
Demers, Jean Paul & Carol Marie	08-D-3	1986	\$971.78
Denkiewicz, Alfred W.	06A-B-36	1986	\$6.52
Di Mauro, Theodore & Harold Matroni	03-C-20	1984	\$61.82
	05-A-5	1984	\$63.97
Dolan, Bert F. Jr. & Joyce M.	13-F-3.1	1984	\$55.95
Duckworth, Ruth M.	06A-J-6	1986	\$480.45
Dunn, William G. & Joanne M.	05C-A-27.1	1986	\$80.44
Elliott, Linwood	18-B-11	1986	\$478.28
Escape Estates	04A-C-2	1986	\$178.27
Estate of Davenport, William & Sadie	15-A-1.2	1986	\$60.87
Ewen, Ruth F.	06C-D-9	1986	\$323.95
Fields, Joan & Michael	09-B-12.4	1986	\$102.18
Fisher, Carol	12-A-5	1986	\$1,121.78
Fontaine c/o Phyllis Lussier	06D-B-3	1986	\$394.58
Fountain, Noah D.	02-B-1.2	1985	\$123.66
Francis, Norman & Karen c/o Stocks	06A-E-49	1986	\$508.72
Fuller, William O. & Bonnie	14A-A-18	1985	\$474.03
Garces, Sherryl & W. Bressette	06A-E-7	1985	\$503.80
	06A-E-8	1985	\$59.54
George, Robert	04A-A-10	1982	\$1.83
Girotte c/o Michel Bergeron	18-A-3	1984	\$464.46
Giroux, Raymond J. Jr. & Patricia	06A-F-52	1986	\$378.28
Goddard, William C. & Dorothy K.	06A-J-21	1984	\$534.53
		1985	\$593.11
		1986	\$580.46
Green, Robert E. c/o Gary Matthews	07-A-22.2	1984	\$420.42
		1985	\$480.90
Hallene, William A. Sr. & Kathleen A.	06A-J-11	1984	\$4.00
		1986	\$4.35
Hebert, Emil & Rosanna	06A-A-31	1986	\$695.68
Hebert, Richard & Versie	16A-A-7	1984	\$267.77
		1986	\$358.71
Hopkins, Shirley	13A-A-14	1984	\$108.45
		1985	\$167.06
		1986	\$930.47
	13A-A-15	1984	\$3.55
		1986	\$30.44
Howe, Warren c/o R. & N. Pelletier	05C-B-11	1984	\$60.79
Howlett Lumber c/o John Suprenant	02A-E-1	1986	\$47.83
	02A-E-2	1986	\$1,410.93
Hudson, Charlotte Day	11-A-17.1	1986	\$758.74
Hull Forest Products c/o George Tatro	17-A-13.6	1986	\$210.88



DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES AS OF 4/1/1987

NAME	PARCEL #	YEAR	AMOUNT DUE
Hull Forest Products c/o Robert Stoll	17-A-13.3	1986	\$206.53
Jackson, Joseph & Geneva	13-A-3	1986	\$484.80
	13-A-5	1986	\$258.71
Jadeon, Antoine S.	04B-A-10	1986	\$202.18
	04B-A-8	1986	\$191.31
	04B-A-9	1986	\$195.66
Kazan, Rudolph & Bertha	14-C-13	1986	\$2,563.15
	14-C-14	1986	\$26.09
Kirik, Stanley & D. Erb	15B-B-15	1986	\$119.57
Kochanowski, Peter	01-J-5	1986	\$190.22
	02-A-5	1986	\$247.84
Kurdziel c/o Walter Racki	06A-B-22	1986	\$6.52
Landino, David & Rosemary	02-E-2.51	1986	\$1,010.91
Langevin, Francis & Tina M.	11-B-4	1985	\$217.58
		1986	\$363.06
Laurion, Arthur & Eileen	10-F-1	1986	\$16.30
Lavoie c/o Peter & Lynn Whitten	01-K-12.2	1986	\$67.39
Lavoie, Louis H. & Lorraine	01-K-12	1984	\$94.09
		1985	\$107.63
		1986	\$102.18
	01-K-12.5	1984	\$94.09
		1985	\$107.63
		1986	\$102.18
	08-D-16	1984	\$1,517.52
		1986	\$1,647.89
Lavoie, Roland H. & Alice	16-A-7	1984	\$267.26
		1985	\$280.53
		1986	\$266.32
Lewis, Mrs. Breck S.	12-A-19	1985	\$169.46
Lochridge, E. c/o Shawmut Trust Dept	05B-B-5	1985	\$293.12
Lochridge, E. c/o Trust Dept Shawmut	05B-B-5	1984	\$256.26
MacConnell, Robert c/o Moreland	17-B-10.3	1985	\$189.42
MacDowell, David	02A-B-4	1986	\$141.31
	02A-B-5	1986	\$141.31
	02A-B-6	1986	\$639.16
MacDowell, David W. & Shirley A.	02A-B-6.1	1985	\$2,060.10
		1986	\$2,134.87
Mandigo, Carl & Pauline	17-A-9	1986	\$391.32
Mason, John N. & Ruth E.	03-C-9	1985	\$24.13
Mastroianni, Pasquale A.	06A-F-27	1985	\$13.74
		1986	\$13.04
Mathews, Gary	07-A-22.2	1986	\$489.15

DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES AS OF 4/1/1987

NAME	PARCEL #	YEAR	AMOUNT DUE
McCarthy, John & Veronica	06D-B-6.1	1986	\$19.57
McCarthy, Veronica	06D-B-5	1986	\$554.37
	06D-B-6	1986	\$45.65
McCormick, William	16-B-3	1986	\$515.57
McGill, George & Beulah K.	05C-A-32	1985	\$899.97
		1986	\$854.38
	05C-A-57	1985	\$20.61
		1986	\$19.57
McIntosh, Diane L. & Walter L.	08-C-2	1984	\$189.08
		1985	\$347.42
McLeish, Bruce	06A-C-6	1986	\$623.94
Mellis, David G. & Cheryl	02A-E-4	1985	\$28.22
Mero, Bryan & Deborah	04A-B-4	1985	\$998.44
		1986	\$947.86
Millette, Allen	06A-D-1	1986	\$203.28
Missios, Angelo D. & Denise C.	04A-A-7	1984	\$150.00
		1985	\$977.83
		1986	\$928.30
Monette, Ernest F. & Ruth S.	10-E-5	1985	\$909.13
Monette, George A. c/o Bruce McLeish	06A-C-6	1984	\$490.41
		1985	\$725.93
Mongeon, Lawrence & Elizabeth	04A-B-3	1985	\$998.44
		1986	\$947.86
Mooney, Howard & Sharon A.	04A-A-1	1985	\$950.35
		1986	\$902.21
Moran, John & Helen M.	08-B-3	1985	\$657.23
Mullane, James B.	10-E-14	1984	\$74.07
		1985	\$84.73
		1986	\$80.44
	10-E-15	1984	\$70.07
		1985	\$80.15
		1986	\$76.09
	10-E-16	1984	\$148.15
		1985	\$169.46
		1986	\$160.88
	10-E-18	1984	\$154.15
		1985	\$176.33
Orsucci, Joseph & Alice	06A-B-42	1986	\$321.75
Oyler, John & Gail A.	05C-A-29	1985	\$435.10
Panaccione, David	10-E-21	1986	\$578.28
Parker Estate c/o Harold Barnard	07-A-1	1984	\$56.06
		1985	\$64.12

DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES AS OF 4/1/1987

NAME	PARCEL #	YEAR	AMOUNT DUE
Parker Estate c/o Harold Barnard	07-A-1	1986	\$60.87
Peirce c/o Michelle Benoit	05A-B-1.1	1985	\$192.36
		1986	\$182.62
	05B-A-1	1985	\$238.16
Peirce, William J.	05A-B-1.1	1984	\$168.17
Peirce, William J. & Audrey	05B-A-1	1984	\$208.21
Peloquin, Richard & Nancy	04A-A-13	1986	\$873.95
Peters, John C. & Helena T.	08-D-21	1984	\$900.90
		1985	\$1,030.50
		1986	\$978.30
Petrie, William R. & Gerna J.	15-B-4	1985	\$122.48
Phillips c/o Elaine Hayes	14A-A-6	1985	\$1,504.53
		1986	\$1,756.59
Pilch, Chester W. c/o John Mangenero	11-B-5	1981	\$657.28
		1982	\$485.48
		1983	\$524.70
		1984	\$530.53
		1985	\$606.85
		1986	\$576.11
	18-B-12.1	1983	\$344.52
		1984	\$348.35
		1985	\$398.46
		1986	\$378.28
	18-B-20.1	1981	\$160.00
		1982	\$161.22
		1983	\$85.14
		1984	\$86.09
		1985	\$98.47
		1986	\$93.48
	18-B-20.3	1984	\$20.02
		1985	\$22.90
		1986	\$21.74
	18-B-21	1982	\$828.07
		1984	\$624.62
		1985	\$714.48
		1986	\$678.29
	18-B-21.3	1984	\$190.19
		1985	\$217.55
		1986	\$206.53
Pion, Frank & Pauline	15-A-4	1985	\$103.05
		1986	\$97.83
Plouffe, Ann Marie	04A-A-14	1986	\$644.30

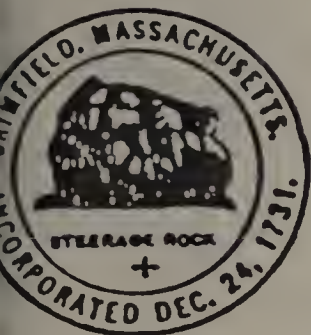


DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES AS OF 4/1/1987

NAME	PARCEL #	YEAR	AMOUNT DUE
Porra c/o Escape Estates	04-D-3	1984	\$368.36
Port, Lynn & Lorraine	06-A-2.4	1984	\$1,143.14
Puduski, Barbara J. & Richard E. Sr.	14-A-2.2	1984	\$156.16
Puduski, David & Mary A.	14A-A-16	1985	\$25.19
		1986	\$23.91
Raymond, L. & Donnie Fay	17-C-20	1986	\$4.35
Raymond, William L. & Joan M.	10-F-8.1	1984	\$421.42
		1985	\$964.09
		1986	\$915.25
Reader c/o Patrick Manning	5B-C-16	1986	\$2.00
Resseguie, Gary & Karen	04A-A-6	1986	\$876.12
Rhoades c/o Charlotte Hudson	12-A-16	1986	\$382.62
Satter, Edwin C. III & Carl Trant	09-C-3	1984	\$202.20
		1985	\$231.29
		1986	\$219.57
Shaclumis, Stephen M. & Deborah	03-C-8	1984	\$546.55
		1985	\$403.39
		1986	\$593.50
Shocik, Michael & Marie	04A-B-7	1986	\$947.86
Sibley, Roger & Marcia	02-E-2.8	1986	\$1,221.79
Skowyrz, Joseph & Jean	08-C-18.1	1985	\$32.06
Smith, Gregory C. et als	06A-E-46	1986	\$397.84
Smith, Russell & Joan	18-A-7	1986	\$947.21
Smus c/o Raymond & Michaelene Kelly	05-A-7	1985	\$1,471.32
		1986	\$2,841.42
Stanton, Ralph I.	18-B-5	1984	\$64.30
		1985	\$96.18
		1986	\$91.31
Stavropoulos, Gus	06A-E-15	1984	\$6.01
Stearns, James C.	08-C-16	1984	\$125.60
		1985	\$625.17
Stearns, Marjorie	08-C-16	1986	\$593.50
Stearns, Willis R. & Phyllis E.	08-C-14	1985	\$32.07
Stewart, Herbert & Theresa	18-B-12	1986	\$271.99
Suprenant, Henry N.	16A-A-8	1986	\$3.70
Suprenant, Henry N.	16A-A-9	1986	\$3.26
Suprenant, John & Mary	02A-E-1	1984	\$44.04
		1985	\$50.38
	02A-E-2	1984	\$1,299.30
		1985	\$1,486.21
Surprise, Paul E. c/o Langevin	11-B-4	1984	\$234.33
Tatro, George E. & Nancy L.	17-A-13.6	1985	\$1,021.34

DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES AS OF 4/1/1987

NAME	PARCEL #	YEAR	AMOUNT DUE
Thibeault, Wayne	04-D-3.2	1986	\$947.86
Tromblay, Sheila A.	09-B-11	1984	\$348.35
		1985	\$398.46
Van Hook, Joseph & Evelyn	13-A-7	1984	\$83.28
	14-C-3	1984	\$72.46
		1985	\$56.49
Visneau, Robert & Joanne	16A-A-4	1986	\$686.98
Wait, Harold c/o J.H. Wait	06A-A-42	1985	\$556.47
Wales, Michael	17-D-7	1986	\$73.92
Winkler c/o Hanford & Karen Clay	13-B-7	1985	\$14.73
Woods, Kevin P. & Susan G.	08-C-18	1984	\$1,335.83
		1985	\$1,553.99
		1986	\$1,475.28
Wytas, David	15B-B-2	1986	\$442.41
Zak, Anne c/o Fisher	12-A-5	1984	\$1,033.03



TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Office of  
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

CASH BALANCE AS OF JULY 1, 1985 16926.22

MONTH	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES
JULY, 85	450767.20	234524.22
AUGUST, 85	480233.50	620545.73
SEPTEMBER	185807.81	192689.05
OCTOBER	361835.48	203163.73
NOVEMBER	413070.93	485059.71
DECEMBER	177407.81	148554.11
JANUARY, 86	430149.96	485322.74
FEBRUARY	163639.85	345400.48
MARCH	398429.60	204608.36
APRIL	549836.09	614664.71
MAY	551698.97	617590.52
JUNE, 86	1014007.11	785913.55

CASH BALANCE AS OF JUNE 30, 1986 255773.62

COMPOSITE OF CASH BALANCE: JUNE 30, 1986  
SHAWMUT WORCESTER COUNTY BANK 255773.62



ADDITIONAL REPORT: CASH BALANCE AS OF JULY 1, 1986		255773.62
JULY 86	33192.24	135792.28
AUGUST	122638.60	228873.25
SEPTEMBER	372148.29	85107.50
OCTOBER	217484.00	321463.41
NOVEMBER	108039.37	203497.78
DECEMBER	538645.57	410346.59

CASH BALANCE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1986	262840.88
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COMPOSITE OF CASH BALANCE: DECEMBER 31, 1986	
SHAWMUT WORCESTER COUNTY BANK	262840.88



TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF  
Treasurer

TOWN COMMON GRANT  
CASH BALANCE, JULY 1, 1986

2127.72

MONTH	RECEIPTS	INTEREST	WARRANTS PAYABLE
JULY, 1986		9.51	
AUGUST		9.55	
SEPTEMBER		9.28	
OCTOBER		9.64	
NOVEMBER		9.37	
DECEMBER		9.72	

BALANCE AS OF DEC. 31, 1986

2184.79

COMPOSITION OF CASH: DEC. 31, 1986  
COUNTRY BANK FOR SAVINGS # 88-007373-9

2184.79



TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Office of  
Treasurer

CHAPTER 811, DPW, HIGHWAY FUNDS  
CASH BALANCE, JULY 1, 1986

44286.47

MONTH	RECEIPTS	INTEREST	WARRANTS PAYABLE
JULY, '86		214.42	
AUGUST		166.93	44082.87
SEPTEMBER		2.36	
OCTOBER		2.36	
NOVEMBER		2.38	
DEC., '86	44084.00	51.24	

BALANCE AS OF DEC. 31, 1986

44727.29

COMPOSITION OF CASH: DECEMBER 31, 1986  
SWCB # 2702231

44727.29



TRUST FUND PACKAGE  
SWCB #9-6044 100: 6/30/86

STABILIZATION ACCOUNT 44933.83  
-EXPENDABLE

LIBRARY  
-NON EXPENDABLE

FITZ HENRY WARREN	1196.10	
U. S. SHAW	2977.23	
PHILIP BURNS FAMILY	1196.10	
LINCOLN/DANIELSON	6838.16	12207.59

PUBLIC LIBRARY ENDOWMENT  
-NON EXPENDABLE

HYDE	1060.80	
FLINT	128.57	
TARBELL	257.16	
COY	603.00	
ROBINSON	526.83	
WOODS	642.92	3219.28

PEARSON MONUMENT FENCE FD 516.29  
-NON EXPENDABLE

CHAMBERLAIN SMITH 1431.89  
HISTORICAL FUND  
-NON EXPENDABLE

CEMETERY FUNDS  
-NON EXPENDABLE

GATE FUND	346.14	
HOYT FUND	1679.63	
WALL FUND	1207.54	
PERPETUAL FUND	33045.00	36278.31

SCHOOLS  
-NON EXPENDABLE

PHILIP BURNS	5236.96	
HARRIET ALLEN	4153.65	9390.61

POOR FUND  
-NON EXPENDABLE

HARRIET HARDING		12585.88
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TOTAL AS OF JUNE 30, 1986 120563.68

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Office of  
Treasurer

RGY CONSERVATION ACCOUNT  
H BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1986  
ENED DECEMBER 5, 1986)

2648.00

TH RECEIPTS INTEREST WARRANTS  
PAYABLE

BALANCE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1986

2648.00

CASH: DECEMBER 31, 1986  
SAVINGS

2648.00

Respectfully submitted,

Joan A. Erban  
Treasurer

TAX	TITLE	ACCOUNTS
Current Owner	Parcel #	Oldest tax year
Bascom, Edward	06A-F-15	1977
Breton, Robert	06A-H-4	1976
Buccelli, Pasquale	13-D-5	1980
Carassello, Richard & Faith	06A-B-25	1979
Clowes, Allan & Marilyn	01-H-1	1976
Daigle, Lionel & Sarah	06A-B-29	1977
DeForge, William & Jane	06A-C-13	1980
DeForge, William & Jane	06A-C-14	1980
Douglas, David & Emma	06A-E-53	1979
Flynn, Kenneth & Nancy	04A-A-5	1983
Fountain, Royal	06A-J-19	1974
Gamache, Rosalie	06A-B-43	1975
Gauthier, Raymond & Donna	06B-A-2	1983
George, Robert	04A-A-10	1983
Goddard, William & Dorothy	06A-J-20	1980
Grenier, Kevin & Karen	06A-E-12	1977
Healy, Frank & Mary	05C-A-65	1980
Hicks, Richard & D. Anderson	12-A-24	1983
Hicks, Richard & Shirley	12-A-20	1974
Hicks, Richard & Shirley	12A-B-3	1974
Lavallee, Richard & Doris	06A-B-31	1976
McCarthy, John & Veronica	06-A-2	1983
McIntosh, Diane & Walter	01-A-8	1983
McIntosh, Diane & Walter	01A-A-2	1983
Missios, Angelo & Denise	04A-A-7	1982
Mooney, Howard & Sharon	04A-A-1	1982
Ozut, John	06-A-31	1981
Ozut, John & Rose	13-F-5	1978
Pelland, Vivian & C. Patrie	06A-B-30	1980
Person, Eric & Roseanne	04-E-3	1983
Pleu, Walter	15-D-1.2	1983
Puduski, David & Mary	14-A-2	1983
Quatrone, Thomas & Judith	06A-E-4	1983
Quatrone, Thomas & Judith	06A-E-5	1983
Roberts, Louis	08-D-13	1976
Rutanen, David & Clarice	15A-A-5	1979
Segool, James & Arlene	07-A-18	1982
Segool, James & Arlene	07-A-18.1	1982
Segool, James & Arlene	07-A-18.2	1982



TAX TITLE ACCOUNTS

<u>Current Owner</u>	<u>Parcel #</u>	<u>Oldest tax year</u>
Sotiropoulos, Harry	06A-J-13	1979
Tessier, Gerard	06-A-J-36	1974
Ullery, Richard S. Jr.	06A-F-17	1974
Varnum, Steven & Beatrice	15A-B-5	1983
Weglarz, Kenneth & Karen	18-B-20.2	1983
Wemyss, Alexander III & Diana	06A-E-19	1983
Weston, Ronald et al	18-B-16	1982
Wozny, Joseph & Dorothy	06A-J-3	1976

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

1 stump on Common	41.40
1 48" tree--Haynes Hill	55.20
1 stump--Haynes Hill	<u>54.05</u>

Northern Tree	150.65
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Tree Work--  
Haynes Hill  
Warren Road

9 hours of work at \$50.00

Northern Tree	449.35
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Remove trees  
Paige Hill Road--4 oak trees  
Haynes Hill Road--2 maples  
Dearth Hill--1 pine  
Main Street--1 maple

Northern Tree	400.00
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Total	1000.00
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Henry L. Pelletier  
Tree Warden

Individual and Group Counseling

Family Counseling

School - based counseling

Drug evaluation, education, and counseling



- 24 hr. crisis intervention
- Family life/community education
- Alternative programs for youth and families
- Consultation, information and referral

TRI-LINK, INC.

51 EVERETT STREET  
SOUTHBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 01550  
765-9101

TRI-LINK, INC.  
SUMMARY OF SERVICES TO  
TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
July 1985 - June 1986

Clients Served:

New requests for services	18.00
24 hour crisis calls	3.00
Info/Referrals	11.00
Community Education Participants	112.00
Total Clients:	144.00

Hours of Clinical Service:

Counseling	105.50
Crisis Intervention	12.50
Case Management	76.50
Consultation	17.50
Education	7.50
Total Hours:	219.50

Total Agency Profile of Presenting Problems:

Drug/Alcohol	136.00
Family	82.00
Behavior	63.00
Depression	57.00
Suicide	29.00
School adjustment	22.00
Abuse	15.00
Life skills	11.00
Other	32.00





BRIMFIELD  
HAMPDEN  
HOLLAND  
MONSON  
WALES

VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
DISTRICT OF EASTERN HAMPDEN COUNTY  
MONSON, MASSACHUSETTS  
01057

January 12, 1987

VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
ANNUAL REPORT

In 1986 there were three families aided by the Veterans' Services Department involving five persons.

The total amount expended during the year was \$7,740.47 of which 75% is reimbursed by the State the Town's share being \$1,935.12.

Under the provisions of Chapter 115 of the General Laws as amended, veterans' and their dependents were granted financial assistance.

The Veterans' Service Office not only processes applications for financial assistance but also assists in filing applications for all VA Benefits which can result in bringing thousands of dollars in Federal Funds to applicants.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn F. Bolaske  
Director of Veterans Services



TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
Brimfield, Massachusetts 01010

REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
1986

The Board held six hearings between July 1, 1985 and June 30, 1986, as follows:

1. Upon application by Bryce H. Benware and Davey Silva, a special permit for auto repair on the southerly side of Route 20 at the intersection of Five Bridge Road, was granted unanimously with conditions and safeguards.
2. Upon application by Donald G. Moriarty, a special permit to remove sand, loam and gravel on the southerly side of Route 20 near the intersection of Prospect Hill Road, was granted unanimously with conditions and safeguards.
3. Oliver Howlett made application to the Board to appeal the decision of the building inspector/zoning officer to deny a permit for storage buildings, or for a special permit for storage buildings on land on the southerly side of Route 20 at the intersection of Five Bridge Road. The Board denied this special permit on the grounds that the Board did not have the authority to issue special permit for storage, other than automotive vehicle storage, which this was not. Therefore, the vote was unanimously denied.
4. Upon application by Noel Hebert to appeal and reverse a decision of the zoning officer, to obtain a special permit and a variance in order to allow a mobile home on his property on Cubles Drive, said mobile home to be used as living quarters, the Board upheld the zoning officer's rejection for lack of argument and evidence of error; and denied the special permit and variance for lack of authority to grant. The Board voted unanimously.
5. Upon application by Meadowbrook Acres Realty Trust of Nashua, New Hampshire, to reverse an unfavorable decision of the zoning officer to allow the addition of ten units to a trailer camp on the northerly side of Route 20, the Board ruled that the zoning officer acted appropriately, and committed no error, and also determined that it was beyond the Board's authority to grant a special permit for a trailer camp in any district other than the Business District. A portion of the proposed sites did not fall within a Business District, and therefore the Board uannimously denied this petition.
6. Upon application by Bryan E. Shoum to reverse an unfavorable decision of the zoning officer and for a special permit to allow automobile repair and sales on land in a Business District on the southerly side of Route 20,

east of Dearth Hill Road, the Board granted a special permit to repair and sell automobiles, said permit to be subject to certain safeguards and conditions.

Applications for hearings are available at the office of the Town Clerk.

The Board has only three powers:

1. To hear appeals from decisions of the zoning officer.
2. To grant special permits for uses specially permittable by the zoning by-laws.
3. To grant variances to qualified applicants under the conditions of the zoning by-laws. Under our laws, use variances are not allowed; only dimensional variances.

The Board has no employees, but contracts for addressing, mailing and stenographic services. Salaries of Board members are zero.

Respectfully submitted,

*Carol A. Goodspeed*  
Carol A. Goodspeed, Secretary





## **GENERAL BY-LAWS**

### **ARTICLE I**

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

##### **I Section 1.**

The following provisions shall constitute the General By-Laws of the Town of Brimfield, which shall be in lieu of all By-Laws heretofore in force.

##### **I Section 2.**

The repeal of a by-law shall not thereby have the effect of reviving any by-law theretofore repealed.

##### **I Section 3.**

Words and phrases specifying or naming any officer, board, or committee of the Town, shall be construed as including the lawful successor or the person or persons having the powers and performing the duties of such officer, board, or committee.

##### **I Section 4.**

When in a by-law anything is prohibited from being done without the license or permission of a certain officer, board, or committee, such officer, board, or committee shall have the right to license or permit such thing to be done.

##### **I Section 5.**

Any or all these by-laws may be repealed or amended or other by-laws may be adopted at any town meeting, an article or articles for that purpose having been inserted in the warrant for such meeting by the Selectmen. The By-Law Committee shall hold a public hearing not less than seven days before any town meeting having bylaw articles, excepting zoning; notice for public hearing to be posted in at least five public places in the town not less than seven days in advance of hearing.

##### **I Section 6.**

Whoever violates any of the provisions of these by-laws whereby any act or thing is enjoined or prohibited, shall unless other provision is expressly made, forfeit and pay a fine not exceeding fifty dollars for each offence.

### **ARTICLE II**

#### **TOWN MEETINGS**

##### **II Section 1.**

The Annual Business and Appropriations Meeting shall be held on the second Monday in May of each year, and shall begin at 7:00 P.M. and the Annual Town Election shall be held on the third Monday of May in each year. The

polls shall be opened at twelve o'clock noon and shall remain open until eight o'clock in the evening.

#### II Section 3.

The Officers of the Town to be elected at the Annual Election in the years in which the terms of the incumbents expire, with their terms of office shall be as follows: A Moderator for one year; Three Selectmen for one year each; A Town Treasurer for three years; A Collector of Taxes for three years; A Town Clerk for three years; Three Assessors for three years each, one to be elected annually; Three members of the Board of Public Health for three years each, one to be elected annually; Three members of the Town School Committee for three years each, one to be elected annually; Five Constables for three years each; A Tree Warden for one year; Six Library Trustees for three years each, two to be elected annually; Three members of the Cemetery Commission for three years each, one to be elected annually; Three members of the Harding Fund Trustees, for three years each, one to be elected annually; Six members of the James D. Lincoln Library Fund Trustees for three years each, one to be elected annually; Members of the Tantasqua Regional District School Committee for three years each, to be elected in accordance with the Regional District Agreement, annually and/or as incumbent terms expires; Four members of the Brimfield Housing Authority for five years each, one to be elected as terms expire in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth; Five members of the Planning Board for five years each, one to be elected annually.

#### II Section 4.

Notice of every Town Meeting shall be given by posting attested copies of the warrant therefor in at least five public places in the Town not less than seven days before the day fixed for such meeting. Notice of every Special Town Meeting shall be given by posting attested copies of the warrant therefor in at least five public places in the Town, not less than fourteen days before the day fixed for such meeting.

#### II Section 5.

At least seven days before the day fixed in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, the Selectmen shall cause to be mailed to each occupied dwelling unit containing one or more registered voters in the Town, a copy of the warrant.

#### II Section 6.

At least five days before the day fixed in the warrant for any Special Town Meeting, the Selectmen shall cause an outline of the warrant to be mailed to each occupied dwelling house in the Town.



**II Section 7.**

The number of voters necessary to constitute a quorum at the Annual Town Meeting shall be fifty voters and the number of voters necessary to constitute a quorum at any Special Town Meeting shall be twenty-five voters; provided, however, that a number less than a quorum may from time to time adjourn the same. This section shall not apply to such parts of meetings as are devoted exclusively to the election of Town officials.

**II Section 8.**

Articles of the warrant shall be acted upon in the order in which they appear unless otherwise determined by vote of the meeting.

**II Section 9.**

If a motion is susceptible of division, it shall be divided and the question shall be put separately upon each part thereof if ten voters so request.

**II Section 10.**

When a question is before the meeting, the following motions, namely: to adjourn; to lay on the table; for the previous question; to postpone to a time certain; to commit, recommit, or refer; to amend; to postpone indefinitely; shall be received and shall have precedence in the foregoing order and the first three shall be decided without debate.

**II Section 11.**

On proposed amendments involving sums of money, the larger or largest amount shall be put to the question first and an affirmative vote thereon shall be a negative vote on any smaller amount.

**II Section 12.**

Any person who is employed as an attorney by another interested in any matter under discussion at a Town Meeting shall disclose the fact of his employment before speaking thereon.

**II Section 13.**

When a question is put, the sense of the meeting shall be determined by the voices of the voters and the Moderator shall declare the vote as it appears to him. If the Moderator is unable to decide by the sound of voices, or if his decision is immediately questioned by seven or more voters rising in their places for that purpose, he shall determine the vote by ordering a show of hands and he may appoint tellers to make and return the count.

**II Section 14.**

The meeting may order that the vote on any motion shall be taken by a "yes" and "no" ballot.

**II Section 15.**

No vote of the meeting shall be reconsidered unless notice of intention to ask for reconsideration shall be given within one hour after the vote to which

such notice relates has been taken. When a motion for reconsideration is decided, that decision shall not be reconsidered, and no question shall be reconsidered more than once; nor shall any vote be reconsidered on a motion to adjourn, to lay on the table, or for the previous question.

**II Section 16.**

All committees shall report as directed by the Town. If no report is made within a year after its appointment, a committee shall be discharged unless, in the meanwhile, the Town shall have granted an extension of time.

**II Section 17.**

No motion, the effect of which would be to dissolve the meeting, shall be in order until every article in the warrant therefore has been duly considered and acted upon, but this shall not preclude the postponement of consideration of any article to an adjournment of the meeting at a stated time and place.

**II Section 18.**

It shall be the duty of the Town Clerk immediately after every Town Meeting to notify in writing all members of the committees who may be elected or appointed at such meetings, and designate one member of the committee to be responsible for gathering all members of that committee for an initial meeting to be held within one month, and the Town Clerk shall state the business upon which they are to act and the names of the persons composing the committees, and also to notify all officers, boards, and committees of all votes passed at such meeting in any way affecting them.

## **ARTICLE III**

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**III Section 1.**

There shall be a Finance Committee consisting of nine legal voters of the Town who shall be appointed by the Selectmen as hereinafter provided. No elective or appointive town officer or town employee shall be eligible to serve on said committee.

**III Section 2.**

The Selectmen of the Town, when this by-law is adopted, shall within thirty days after such by-law becomes effective, appoint three members of said committee for terms of one year, three members for terms of two years, and three members for terms of three years. At each Annual Town Meeting thereafter the Selectmen shall appoint three members of said committee for terms of three years. The terms of office of said members shall commence immediately upon qualification and shall expire at the close of final adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting at which their successors



are appointed. Said committee shall choose its officers and shall serve without pay, and it shall cause to be kept a true record of its proceedings.

#### III Section 3.

The said committee shall fill any vacancy which may occur in its membership by vote, an attested copy of which shall be sent by the secretary to the Town Clerk. If any member is absent from five consecutive meetings of said committee, except in case of illness, his position shall be deemed to be vacant and shall be filled as herein provided. The term of office for any person so chosen to fill a vacancy shall expire at the final adjournment to the next succeeding Annual Town Meeting, and the Selectmen shall appoint his successor to complete the unexpired term of the member in whose office such vacancy originally occurred.

#### III Section 4.

All articles in any warrant for a town meeting shall be referred to the Finance Committee for its consideration. The Selectmen, after drawing any such warrant, shall transmit immediately a copy thereof to each member of said committee. Said committee shall, after due consideration of the subject matter of such articles, report thereon to the Town Meeting, in writing, such recommendations as it deems best for the interests of the Town and its citizens.

#### III Section 5.

It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee annually to consider the expenditures in previous years and the estimated requirements for the ensuing year of the several boards, officers, and committees of the Town, as prepared by them in such form and detail as may be prescribed by said committee. The said committee shall add to such statements of expenditures and estimates, another column giving the amounts which in its opinion should be appropriated for the ensuing year, and shall further add thereto such explanations and suggestions relating to the proposed appropriations as it may deem expedient, and report thereon as provided in section four.

#### III Section 6.

In the discharge of its duty, said committee shall have free access to all books of records and accounts, bills and vouchers on which money has been or may be paid from the Town Treasury. Officers, boards, and committees of the Town shall, upon request, furnish said committees with facts, figures and any other information pertaining to their several activities.

#### III Section 7.

It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to make an annual report of its doings, with recommendations relative to financial matters and the conduct of town business, to be contained in the annual town report.



## **ARTICLE IV**

### **FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**

#### **IV Section 1.**

An audit of the Accounts of the Town shall be made every three years under the supervision of the state division of accounts as provided by Section 35 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

#### **IV Section 2.**

Each officer, board or committee authorized to spend money shall on or before June fifteenth of each year, transmit to the Town Accountant all unpaid bills outstanding as of that date.

#### **IV Section 3.**

Except as otherwise provided by law, the Selectmen shall have custody of bonds, deeds, contracts, insurance policies, and other similar documents owned by the Town.

#### **IV Section 4.**

The Town Accountant shall prescribe the methods of accounting and the forms to be used by the several officers, boards, and committees of the Town pertaining to their receipts and disbursements, and shall provide that such methods and forms shall conform to the requirements prescribed by law or any rules or regulations made thereunder.

#### **IV Section 5.**

Every officer shall pay into the Treasury of the Town all amounts received by him on behalf of the Town, except as otherwise provided by law, and shall make a true return thereof to the Town Accountant, stating the accounts upon which such amounts were received.

#### **IV Section 6.**

a. In the event that the holder of or applicant for any license or permit issued by the Town of Brimfield shall be delinquent in the payment of any local tax, fee, or other municipal charges, the Board of Selectmen, or other licensing authority, shall have the authority to refuse to issue said license or renew said license or permit.

b. The provisions of Chapter 40 Section 57 of the Massachusetts General Laws shall be strictly followed in the enforcement of this section.

## ARTICLE V

### CONTRACTS BY TOWN OFFICERS

#### V Section 1.

No Town Officer and no salaried employee of the Town or any agent of any such officer or employee, shall receive any compensation for his services to the Town except his official salary plus any fees specifically allowed him by law. Expense money is not to be allotted to the payment of compensation for services.

#### V Section 2.

No board or officer shall make any contract in behalf of the Town, the execution of which shall necessarily extend beyond one year from the date thereof, except as otherwise provided by law, unless specific authority to do so has been given by vote of the Town.

## ARTICLE VI

### LEGAL AFFAIRS

#### VI Section 1.

The Selectmen shall be agents of the Town to institute, prosecute, defend, and settle any and all claims, actions, and proceedings to which the Town is a party or in which the interests of the Town are or may be involved.

#### VI Section 2.

The Selectmen in their annual report shall state what actions have been brought against and on behalf of the Town, what cases have been compromised or settled, and the current standing of all suits at law involving the Town or any of its interests.

#### VI Section 3.

The Selectmen shall annually in June after election of the Selectmen, appoint a member of the bar in good standing to serve as Town Counsel for the term of one year from the first day of July following and until his successor is appointed and enters upon the performance of his duties. They shall likewise fill any vacancy in said office for the unexpired term, and may employ Special Counsel to assist the said Town Counsel whenever, in their judgment, necessity therefor arises.

#### VI Section 4.

It shall be the duty of the Town Counsel to conduct the prosecution, defense, or compromise of claims, actions, and proceedings to which the Town is a party, and the prosecution of actions or proceedings by or on behalf of any town officer, board, or committee as such; to conduct the defense of any action or proceedings, brought against any town officer, board, or committee as such, when the Selectmen, having determined that



any right or interests of the Town are or may be involved therein, shall so request; to conduct proceedings brought by or against the Assessors before the Board of Tax Appeals; to assist in the prosecution of complaints for violation of any by-law of the Town, when requested so to do by the board of officer enforcing the same; to examine and report upon titles to all land to be acquired by the Town; to prepare or approve contracts, bonds, deeds, and other legal instruments in which the Town is a party or in which any right or interests of the Town is involved; to appear at any and all hearings on behalf of the Town whenever his services may be required; and generally to advise and act for the town officers, boards, and committees upon and in legal matters touching the duties of their respective offices.

## ARTICLE VII

### RECORDS AND REPORTS

#### VII Section 1.

All officers, boards, and committees of the Town, shall cause records of their doings and accounts to be kept in suitable books. Said books shall be kept in their respective places in the town offices, or in their respective offices at home. Said books shall, unless otherwise provided by law, be open to public inspection at any reasonable time, but shall remain during such inspection under supervision of the officer, board, or committee having custody thereof.

#### VII Section 2.

All officers, boards, standing committees, and special committees of the Town having charge of the expenditure of town money shall annually report thereon in writing in such manner as to give the citizens a fair and full understanding of the objects and methods of such expenditures, referring, however, to the report of the Town Accountant for statements in detail of receipts and payments, and may make therein such recommendations as they deem proper. Such reports shall be submitted to the Selectmen for inclusion in the Annual Town Report on or before the 31st day of January, for the calendar year preceding. Boards, departments, committees, and officers that exceeded appropriations falling within their jurisdiction for the previous fiscal year will state amounts overdrawn. All such reports from officers, board, departments, and committees shall include a list of all their employees, both salaried and hourly, with the total amount of annual compensation along side each name if the amount for any particular employee is 0, that fact shall be included in the report.

#### VII Section 3.

The annual report shall contain, in addition to the reports of officers, boards, and committees as hereinbefore provided, a detailed report of all moneys received into and paid out of the Town Treasury in the financial year next preceding and from 1 July to 31 December of the current fiscal



year showing separately payments made from the proceeds of loans as capital outlays for permanent improvements; the report of the Collector of Taxes, of receipts, payments, and abatements; statements of funds belonging to the Town or held for the benefit of its inhabitants; a statement of liabilities of the Town on bonds, notes, and certificates of indebtedness, or otherwise, and of indebtedness authorized but not incurred, and of the purposes thereof; a statement of transfers made to or from any appropriation; abstracts of the records of the meetings of the Town held since publication of the last Annual Report; and such other matters as the said report is required by law to contain, or as may be inserted by the Selectmen under discretion granted them by law.

#### **VII Section 4.**

The Selectmen, or the Town, may direct that the standing votes of the Town and the rules or regulations adopted by any officer, board, or committee, be printed either separately or as part of the Annual Town Report. At least seven days before the day fixed in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, the Selectmen shall cause to be mailed to each occupied dwelling in the town a copy of the Town Report. Any individual who resides in Brimfield but who does not receive his mail through Brimfield or through one of the regular rural routes serving Brimfield, but who wishes to receive a copy of the Town Report, shall give his name and proper mailing address to the Town Clerk in writing.

#### **VII Section 5.**

The Selectmen shall insert an article in the Town Warrant every third year commencing with the Annual Town Meeting of 1981 to see if the Town will vote to provide the necessary funds and services to accomplish the publication of the currently used Assessors' valuation list.

#### **VII Section 6.**

The Selectmen and Town Clerk shall cause to be published the current Town By-Laws including the Zoning By-Laws as part of the Annual Town Report every third year commencing with the Annual Town Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1980. These publications will also be kept by the Town Clerk and made available for a fee to defray printing costs.

### **ARTICLE VIII**

#### **JUNK YARD LICENSES**

#### **VIII Section 1.**

The Selectmen may in their discretion grant licenses to suitable persons to be collectors of, dealers in, or keepers of establishments for the purchase, sale, or barter, of junk, old metals, or second hand articles and may make rules and regulations relative to their business, and may provide for the supervision thereof, and may make additional rules, regulations, and

restrictions which shall be expressed in all licenses, all in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 140, Sections 54 and 55 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

#### VIII Section 2. Junk Yard, Flea Market and Other Regulations

##### a. Definition:

For the purpose of this By-Law a flea market is defined as a place where merchants buy, sell, or barter merchandise on property, for a consideration paid to the owner or operator and under the control of the owner or operator.

##### b. License for Owner and/or Operator:

The Selectmen may, at their discretion, grant a license to an owner and/or operator who has complied with this By-Law at a fee of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars. License will expire at the end of the calendar year.

##### c. Fees for Merchants:

Owners and/or operators will apply for Merchant's Permits from the Board of Selectmen prior to conducting a Flea Market. Said permits will be required to be displayed by each merchant doing business within said Flea Market. Merchant's Permits shall be issued for a fee to be set by the Board of Selectmen not to exceed \$20.00. Each owner and/or operator shall submit a list of merchants to the Board of Selectmen to be licensed. Any unused Merchant's Permits may be returned to the Board of Selectmen for a refund of the permit fee. The Merchants' Permit will expire weekly at 11:00 P.M. of each Saturday.

##### d. Regulations

The Board of Selectmen may make additional rules, regulations, and restrictions which shall be expressed in all licenses.

##### e. Police:

Traffic control incidental to operation of flea markets and traffic control at entrances and exits to flea markets will be at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen--cost to be borne by the Flea Market Operator and/or owner.

##### f. Town Common:

The Town Common during Flea Market will not be used for parking, business enterprises, camping, eating, or drinking of alcoholic beverages. This section enforceable under the Town's Police powers.

##### g. Parking:

Parking is prohibited on Town Streets from 11:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M. enforceable under the Town's Police powers.



**h. Health and Safety:**

(1) The Board of Health will be empowered to immediately close any flea market operation found to be violating the Sanitary Code of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and thereby constituting a hazard to public health.

(2) Flea Market operators/owners will provide toilet, handwashing, and drinking water facilities in accordance with regulations provided by the Board of Health.

(3) Licensed Emergency Medical Technicians will remain on duty during daylight operation of the Flea Market at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen; cost to be borne by the Flea Market operators/owners.

(4) A fire-fighting team will remain on duty during operation of the Flea Market at the discretion of the Fire Chief, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen; cost to be borne by Flea Market operators/owners.

(5) Flea Market operators/owners will provide fire and emergency access lanes at the discretion of the Fire Chief.

(6) Flea Market operators/owners will provide fifteen feet of depth along and adjacent to the public right of ways for pedestrian traffic.

(7) Flea Market merchants, who are permitted by the town to do business, shall be allowed to remain overnight in their vehicles on the grounds of a flea market operator/owner for the purpose of protecting their wares for a period not to exceed seven consecutive days at flea markets and not more than three flea markets in any calendar year. Any flea market operator/owner who allows merchants to remain overnight on his premises must maintain adequate sanitary facilities and dumping stations under jurisdiction of the Board of Health.

**j. Hours of Operation of Flea Markets:**

Hours of operation to be set by Board of Selectmen.

**k. Penalties:**

For violation of this by-law by the flea market operators and/or owners any by all others a fine of not to exceed two hundred (\$200.00) dollars shall be imposed.

**ARTICLE IX**

**PLANNING BOARD BY-LAW**

**IX Section 1.**

A Planning Board is hereby established under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 81A with all the power and duties therein.



**IX Section 2.**

The Planning Board shall consist of five members to be elected by ballot at the Annual Town Meeting of 1958, one for a term of five years, one for a term of four years, one for a term of three years, one for a term of two years, and one for a term of one year, and thereafter by ballot and in accordance with provisions of the statute.

**IX Section 3.**

There is hereby established a Board of Appeals of three (3) members and two (2) associate members to be appointed by the Selectmen, as provided in the General Laws, which shall act on all matters within its jurisdiction under this By-Law in the manner prescribed in the General Laws.

**ARTICLE X**

**UNREGISTERED MOTOR VEHICLE BY-LAW**

**X Section 1.**

No more than one unregistered motor vehicle, assembled or disassembled, shall be kept, stored, or allowed to remain on a parcel of land except by a person duly licensed under General Laws, Chapter 140 Section 59 and except as provided in Section 2 of this By-Law.

**X Section 2.**

The Board of Selectmen may issue a permit to keep, store, or allow two or more of such vehicles to remain on a parcel of land after said Board has held a public hearing thereon, first causing notice of the time, place and subject matter of such hearing to be given, at the expense of the applicant, by publication in a newspaper of general circulation, at least ten days in advance of the date of the hearing. Said Board shall not issue such a permit unless it finds that the presence of such vehicles on such parcel (1) will not nullify or substantially derogate from the intent or purpose of this by-law, (2) will not constitute a nuisance, and (3) will not adversely affect the neighborhood in which such parcel is situated.

**X Section 3.**

Each such permit shall (1) specify the maximum number of such vehicles that may be kept, stored, or allowed to remain on such parcel, (2) be limited to a reasonable period of time and (3) be a personal privilege of the applicant and not a grant attached to and running with the land.

**X Section 4.**

This by-law shall not apply to vehicles which are (1) stored within an enclosed building, or (2) designed and used as vehicles for farming, agriculture or construction purposes. Any junk cars not visible from the road shall be exempt from the terms of this by-law.

**X Section 5.**

Any person who continues to violate the provisions of this by-law after 30 days following receipts by him of written notice of such violation from the Board of Selectmen shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty dollars for each offense. Each day that any violation is allowed to continue after said thirty day period shall constitute a separate offense.

**ARTICLE XI**

**BUILDING CODE**

**XI SECTION 1.**

The Selectmen shall provide for the appointment of a Building Code Board of Appeals and maintain its membership in accordance with the provision of the Massachusetts State Building Code.

**ARTICLE XII**

**ZONING BY-LAW**

**TOWN OF BRIMFIELD**

**ADOPTED** by the Town, June 19, 1968

**APPROVED** by the Attorney General, September 12, 1968

**REVISED**, June 30, 1980

**XII Section 1. PURPOSE**

To Promote the health, safety, convenience, morals, and general welfare of its inhabitants, to lessen the danger from fire and congestion, and to improve the town under the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 40A, the use, construction, repair, alteration, and height of buildings and structures and the use of premises in the Town of Brimfield are hereby restricted and regulated as hereinafter provided.

**XII Section II. DEFINITIONS**

All terms and words not otherwise defined in this By-law shall have the meaning defined in the 1972 Planners Handbook published by the Massachusetts Federation of Planning Boards. Words not defined in this By-law or in the Handbook shall have the meaning given in Webster's Unabridged Dictionary (latest edition).

**II-A. Dwelling**

A building or dwelling unit, or any part thereof, containing accommodations for permanent occupancy, including single-family



semi-detached, and two-family houses, boarding or lodging homes, but not including transient accommodations such as in motels or hotels.

**II-B. Trailer**

Any vehicle which is or can be used as a dwelling and which is, has been, or can be mounted on wheels.

**II-C. Trailer Camp**

A parcel of land on which there is located or intended to be located two or more trailer homes occupied for living purposes.

**II-D. Family Camping Ground**

A parcel of land on which there is temporarily located, or intended to be temporarily located, two or more camping devices.

**XII SECTION III. ESTABLISHMENT OF DISTRICTS**

**III-A. Type of Districts**

For purpose of the By-Law, the Town of Brimfield is hereby divided into the following types of use districts:

- Residential
- Agricultural-Residential
- Business
- Industrial
- Flood Plain (See Section VI-C)
- Multiple Dwelling District for the elderly

**III-B. Location of Districts**

Said districts are located and bounded as shown on a map entitled "Zoning Map of Brimfield, Massachusetts". The Zoning Map, with all explanatory matter thereon, is hereby made a part of this By-Law, accepted by the Town Meeting of May 8, 1978, under Article 23 and filed with the Town Clerk on the same date.

**XII Section IV. USE REGULATIONS**

Except as provided in Section VI-A-1 hereof, no building or structure shall be constructed, and no structure or land, or part thereof shall be used for any purpose or in any manner other than for one or more of the uses hereinafter set forth as permitted in the district in which such building, structure or land is located, or set forth as permissible by special permit in said district and so authorized.

**IV-A. Residential Districts**

**1. Permitted Uses**

- a. Detached one-family dwelling
- b. Religious, education, or municipal use.
- c. Hospital, sanitarium, convalescent home.



- d. Renting of rooms or furnishing of board for not more than four (4) persons in a dwelling regularly occupied for residential purposes.
- e. Accessory uses customarily incidental to the above permitted main uses, including but not limited to the following:
  - (1) Use of a room or rooms in a dwelling for a customary home occupation conducted solely by a resident with no more than one employee, such as dressmaking, candy making or the practice of a recognized profession.
  - (2) Use of premises or building thereon in connection with his trade by a resident artisan who works primarily away from the premises, such as a carpenter, electrician, painter or plumber, provided that no manufacturing or business requiring heavy machinery or substantially continuous employment be carried on and that no evidence of the use be visible or audible to the public or abutters.
  - (3) Display of a sign pertaining to a use permitted on the premises with a total area of not more than six (6) square feet.

- 2. Uses which may be permitted by the Board of Appeals in accordance with the regulations appearing in Section VIII-B-2 of this By-Law.
  - a. Private club not conducted for profit.
  - b. Conversion of a one-family dwelling existing at the time of adoption of this By-Law into a two-family dwelling.

#### IV-B. Agricultural-Residential Districts

- 1. Permitted Uses
  - a. All uses permitted in a Residential district.
  - b. Farm or Nursery, including the display and sales of natural products raised in the town and the raising of stock except as limited by Section 2 below.
  - c. Accessory uses.
  - d. The raising of hogs, pigs, or fur-bearing animals, provided such activity is carried on at least 500 feet from any property line.
  - e. Parking of cars relative to flea markets for a period of not more than three (3) days each, three (3) time per year.
  - f. The outdoor rental of space to merchants for the purpose of buying, selling, or bartering merchandise on the premises, to the same extent permitted in the business district, in that area of the Agricultural-Residential District bounded as follows: Southerly by Route 20; Easterly by the Warren Road; Westerly by Crystal Brook; and Northerly by a line parallel to Route 20 at a depth not to exceed 500 feet which

extends Easterly from the Northerly limit of the business district at Crystal Brook to the Warren Road.

2. Uses which may be permitted by the Board of Appeals in accordance with the regulations appearing in Section VIII-B-2 of is By-Law.
  - a. Golf course, boat livery, riding stable and ski tow.
  - b. Private club not conducted for profit.
  - c. Soil, gravel, loam and sand removal.
  - d. Conversion of a one-faimly dwelling existing at the time of adoption of this By-Law into a two-family dwelling.
  - e. Family Camping Ground.

#### **IV-C. Business District**

1. Permitted Uses
  - a. Any use permitted in a Residential District.
  - b. Office, bank, newspaper or job-printing establishment.
  - c. Hotel, motel or restaurant.
  - d. Any wholesale or retail business, research laboratory, service (or) [of] public utility not involving manufacture on the premises except of products the major portion of which is sold on the premises by the producer to the consumer.
  - e. Conversion of a one-family dwelling existing at the time of the adoption of the By-Law into a two-family dwelling.
2. Uses which may be permitted by the Board of Appeals in accordance with the regulations appearing in Section VIII-B-2 of the By-Law.
  - a. Place of amusement of assembly or club conducted for profit.
  - b. Automobile service station, repair shop, storage garage or salesroom.
  - c. Trailer camp.

#### **IV-D. Industrial District**

1. Permitted Uses
  - a. Any business use permitted in a Business District.
  - b. Any manufacturing or industrial use including processing, fabrication and assembly, provided that no such use shall be permitted which would be detrimental or offensive or tend to reduce property values in the same or adjoining districts by reason of dirt, odor, fumes, smoke, gas, sewage, refuse, noise, excessive vibration, or danger of explosion or fire.
  - c. Religious, education, or municipal use.

2. Uses which may be permitted by the Board of Appeals in accordance with the regulations appearing in Section VIII-B-2 of this By-Law.
  - a. Automobile dismantling or used part yard.
  - b. Junk yard.

IV-E. Multiple Dwelling District for Elderly

1. Permitted Uses
  - a. Housing for Elderly

XII SECTION V. INTENSITY REGULATIONS

V-A. A dwelling hereafter erected in any district shall be located on a lot having not less than the minimum requirements set forth in the table below, and no more than one dwelling shall be built upon any such lot. No existing lot shall be changed as to size or shape so as to result in the violation of the requirements set forth below.

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>Minimum Lot Dimension</u>		<u>Minimum Yard Dimension</u>		
	<u>Area in sq. ft. (a)</u>	<u>Frontage in ft. (a)</u>	<u>Front in ft. (b)</u>	<u>Side in ft.</u>	<u>Rear in ft.</u>
Residence	65,340	150	25	15	40
Agricultural-					
Residence	65,340	150	35	15	40
Business	65,340	150	25	15	40
Industrial	(New residential construction not permitted)				

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>Max. Height of Building (c)</u>		<u>Max. % Coverage Including Accessory Building</u>	<u>Floor Area sq. ft.</u>
	<u>No. of Stories</u>	<u>Ft.</u>		
Residence	(2½)	(35)	(30)	(720)
Agricultural-				
Residence	(2½)	(35)	(20)	(720)
Business	(2½)	(35)	(40)	(720)
Industrial	(New residential construction not permitted)			

V-B. A building or structure other than a dwelling hereafter erected in any District shall be located on a lot having not less than the minimum requirements set forth in the table below. No existing lot shall be changed as to size or shape so as to result in the violation of the requirements set forth below.



<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>Area in sq.ft. (a)</u>	<u>Frontage in ft. (a)</u>	<u>Front in ft. (b)</u>	<u>Side in ft. (d)</u>	<u>Rear in ft. (e)</u>
Residence	65,340	150	25	15	40
Agricultural- Residence	65,340	150	35	15	40
Business	65,340	150	25	15	40
Industrial	62,500	250	25	40	40

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>No. of Stories</u>	<u>Max. Height of Building (c) Ft.</u>	<u>Max. % Coverage Including Accessory Building</u>
Residence	(2½)	(35)	(30)
Agricultural- Residence	(2½)	(35)	(20)
Business	(3)	(40)	(60)
Industrial	(4)	(50)	(60)

#### FOOTNOTES TO THE ABOVE TABLE

(a) Existing nonconforming lots may be built upon and pre-existing nonconforming structures or uses may be extended or altered only in accordance with the applicable provision of Chapter 40A, Section 6 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth, or Section V-C of this By-law.

(b) To be measured from the right-of-way line where a plan of the way is on file with the Registry of Deeds or, in the absence of such a plan, from a line 25 feet from and parallel with the center line of the travelled way.

(c) The limitation on height of buildings shall not apply in any district to chimneys, ventilators, towers, spires or other ornamental features which are in no way used for living purposes.

(d) Side yard dimension will be 50 feet when adjacent to Residential District.

(e) Rear yard dimension will be 50 feet when adjacent to Residential District.

V-C. Buildings in existence at the time of the adoption of this amendment without the minimum front, side, or rear yards required by V-A and V-B may be added to provided such additions do not reduce the size of the non-conforming yard or yards.

## **XII SECTION VI. GENERAL REGULATIONS**

### **VI-A. Nonconforming Uses**

1. The lawful use of any structure or land existing at the time of the enactment or subsequent amendment of this By-law may be continued although such structure or use does not conform with provisions of the By-Law.
2. Extension. No increase in the extent of the non-conforming use of the structure or land may be made except as provided by Chapter 40A Section 6 of the general Laws of the Commonwealth or Section V-C of this By-Law.
3. Abandonment. A nonconforming use which has been abandoned for two (2) years or more shall not be re-established any future use shall conform with this By-Law.
4. Changes. Once changed to a conforming use, no structure or land shall be permitted to revert to a nonconforming use.
5. Construction or use under a building permit or special permit shall conform to any subsequent amendment of the Town Zoning By-Law unless the use or construction is commenced within a period of six (6) months after issuance of the permit and in cases involving construction, unless such construction is continued through to completion as continuously and expeditiously as is reasonable. The applicable provisions of Chapter 40A, Section 6 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts shall apply.

### **VI-B. Accessory Buildings**

1. No accessory buildings or structures shall be located within the required front yard area. No accessory building shall be located in any side yard area nearer to the side lot line than 15 feet, or in a rear yard nearer to the rear line than 15 feet, or nearer to another principle or accessory building than 15 feet.

### **VI-C. Flood Plain Restrictions**

1. In a Flood Plain District, uses otherwise permitted as set forth in Sections IV-A and IV-B above may be authorized after a finding by the Board of Appeals, after a hearing with due notice given, that said use will not endanger the health or safety of the occupants thereof.

### **VI-D. Parking Requirements**

1. Any building hereafter constructed for business or industrial use shall be so located upon its parcel of land that there may be provided an off-street parking area equal to twice the floor area of the building to be constructed.



#### **VI-E. Sign Regulations**

1. **Definition.** For the purpose of this By-Law a sign is defined as any outdoor surface with letters, word, numbers, or other symbols, any of which exceed one inch in height, or any three-dimensional representation, intended to convey a message.
2. **Regulation.** All signs are prohibited except the following:
  - a. All signs existing on the date of adoption of this By-Law, provided they are photographed by the owner and registered with the enforcing authority within thirty (30) days of adoption date.
  - b. Signs on mail boxes and newspaper tubes not larger than said mailboxes or newspaper tubes.
  - c. Signs erected by the Town, Commonwealth, or their agencies.
  - d. Signs required by Law.
  - e. Provided they are otherwise permitted by the Town's By-Laws, one non-flashing, non-neon, non-moving, non-three-dimensional sign on a building; and one other sign per building, free standing, one or two-surfaced, not over 20 feet above ground level and signs on buildings not to exceed fifty (50) square feet and free-standing signs not to exceed twenty-five (25) square feet, neither class to be artificially illuminated from within or the rear.
3. **Enforcement.** It shall be the responsibility of the Selectmen or their legally appointed delegate to take the initiative to enforce this By-Law with or without a citizen's complaint. No sign shall hereinafter be displayed without a permit issued by the enforcing authority.

#### **XII SECTION VII. TRAILERS**

- VII-A. Not more than one (1) house trailer, mobile home or trailer which contains sleeping or eating accommodations may be kept on any parcel of land. No house trailer, mobile home or trailer which contains sleeping and eating accommodations may be used as living quarters while so located. Space shall not be leased for trailers, provided, however, that the forgoing shall not prohibit the establishment of a trailer camp under the provisions of Chapter 140 of the General Laws, or a family camping ground under Article VIII of the State Sanitary Code.
- VII-B. The owner or occupier of a residence which has been destroyed by fire or other natural disaster may place a mobile home on the site of such residence and reside in said mobile home for a period not to exceed twelve (12) months while the residence is



being rebuilt. Any such mobile home shall be subject to the provisions of the state sanitary code.

- VII-C. The provisions of VII-A shall not apply to licensed vendors on flea market grounds in a business zone for a period not to exceed seven consecutive days three times per year.

## **XII SECTION VIII. ADMINISTRATION**

- VIII-A. Enforcement. The Board of Selectmen shall appoint a Zoning Officer for a term of one (1) year who is charged with enforcing this By-Law. No building shall be built or altered and no use of land or building shall be begun or changed without a permit. No building shall be begun or changed without a permit. No building shall be occupied until a certificate of occupancy has been issued. Any person violating any of the provisions of this By-Law may be fined not more than two hundred (\$200.00) for each offense.
- VIII-B. Board of Appeals. There is hereby established a Board of Appeals of three (3) members and two (2) associate members to be appointed by the Selectmen, as provided in Chapter 40A of the General Laws, which shall act on all matters within its jurisdiction under this By-Law and Chapter 40A of the General Laws. The Board of Appeals shall have the following powers:
1. Appeals. To hear and decide an appeal taken by any person aggrieved by reason of his inability to obtain a permit from any administrative official under the provisions of Chapter 40A, General Laws, or by any officer or Board of the town, or by any person aggrieved by any order or decision of the zoning officers or other administrative official in violation of any provision of Chapter 40A, General Laws, or of this By-Law.
  2. Special Permits. To grant a special permit for an exception as provided by sections of this By-Law when it shall have found after a detailed study, duly advertised public hearing, held within sixty-five (65) days after filing of an application with the Board of Appeals, a copy of which shall forthwith be given to the Town Clerk by the applicant, and the concurring vote of all members of the Board of Appeals, that the use involved will not be detrimental to the established or future character of the neighborhood and town and subject to appropriate conditions or safeguards if deemed necessary. Special permits shall lapse within (2) years of issuance, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A, Section 9 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth.

3. Variances. To authorize upon appeal, or upon petition in case where a particular use is sought for which no permit is required, with respect to a particular parcel of land or to an existing building thereon a variance from the terms of this By-Law where, owing to conditions especially affecting such parcel or such building but not affecting generally the zoning district in which it is located, a literal enforcement of the provisions of this By-Law would involve substantial hardship, financial or otherwise to the appellant, and where desirable relief may be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without substantially derogating from the intent or purpose of this By-Law, but no otherwise. Nothing in this By-Law shall be construed as granting the Board of Appeals the power to authorize a use or activity not otherwise permitted in the district in which the land or structure is located.

VIII-C. Amendment. This By-Law may be amended from time to time at an Annual or Special Town Meeting in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of Chapter 40A.

VIII-D. Validity. The invalidity of any section or provision of this By-Law shall not invalidate any other section or provision thereof.

VIII-E. Applications for permits. All applications for permits shall be in writing, accompanied by a plot plan, and a building plan, if construction is contemplated. The zoning enforcing authority may require any information on the application the needs in order to enable him to determine the legality or illegality of the proposed use. All applications shall be acted upon by the zoning enforcing authority within thirty (30) days in writing, stating the reason or reasons for rejection or approval. Now written application shall be necessary for an occupancy permit, but not occupancy permit shall be issued for any building which departs from the plans to the extent that a zoning violation is created. Buildings begun but not completed within two (2) years of the date of the permit shall be deemed a violation of this By-Law.

**NOTES:**

Enforcement. Chapter 40A, Section 12 of the General Laws provides that this By-Law shall be enforce by the Selectmen or their appointee.

According to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 32, the effective date of this By-Law is the date of delivery of the Bulletin or pamphlet to each occupied dwelling in the town.



According to Chapter 40A, Section 11 of the General Laws, the enforcement date of this By-Law is June 11, 1968, the date of the public hearing before the Planning Board.

### **ARTICLE XIII**

#### **RIVER AND STREAM PROTECTION BY-LAW**

##### **XIII. River and Stream Protection By-Law**

**a. DISCHARGE REGULATION**

Except as hereinafter allowed no wastewater shall be discharged directly into any river or stream or indirectly through a pond, lake, or storage or disposal works.

**b. DRAWING OR DIVERSION REGULATION**

Except as hereinafter allowed water shall not be drawn or diverted from any river or stream.

**c. EXCEPTIONS**

1. Drawing in amounts not exceeding 250 gallons per day.
2. Drawing for fire department use.
3. Drawing, diversion or indirect discharge for agricultural use that would not be detrimental to a river or stream and associated wetlands.
4. Diversion for low head hydro-electric generation, that would not be detrimental to a river or stream and associated wetlands.

**d. DEFINITION**

Wastewater is defined as water that has been used in manufacturing, processing, cooling, servicing, washing or cleaning, or in any septic or sewerage works.

**e. FINE**

The fine for violation of this by-law by individuals is not less than \$20 nor more than \$100 per day; by corporations not less than \$300 per day. Each day constitutes a separate violation.

### **ARTICLE XIV**

#### **BOATING BY-LAW**

1. No person shall operate a motor powered boat of any type on any body of water in the Town of Brimfield unless said motor is equipped with an effective muffler of standard type and construction.

2. No person having control or direction of a boat on any body of water in the Town of Brimfield shall neglect or refuse to stop the same when directed to do so by a police officer who is uniformed or displays his badge of authority.



3. No person shall operate a powered boat within an area designated as a swimming area and enclosed by buoys.

5. No person shall operate a boat on any body of water in Brimfield during hours of darkness or dusk unless such boat is equipped with a light of either portable or fixed character sufficient in intensity to be visible from the shore at all times in fair weather.

6. No person shall operate a boat upon any body of water in Brimfield with a greater number of occupants than is reasonably safe, having in mind the weather, the number of available life preservers, and the capacity of the boat as prescribed by the builder.

7. A power boat towing a water skier shall carry at least one person in addition to the operator who shall be capable of rendering assistance to the skier or the operator in the event of an emergency.

8. The following rules of the road shall be applicable to all operators of craft on bodies of water in the Town of Brimfield:

(A) Unpowered craft have the right of way over powered craft.

(B) A craft being overtaken has the right of way over craft overtaking.

(C) Boats approaching approximately head on shall bear to the right and pass to left to left or port to port.

(D) In a crossing situation the boat on the right hand is privileged and has the right of way and the burdened craft shall give way.

Whoever violates any one of the above rules and regulations shall forfeit and pay a fine not exceeding twenty dollars for each offense.

## ARTICLE XV

### PUBLIC WAY ALTERATION

No alteration of any land within the boundaries of a public way shall be made for driveways, private ways, or otherwise, except by the Town of Brimfield upon authorization of the Highway Superintendent. Any owner or occupant of land abutting a public way who desires any alteration of land within a public way shall file with the Highway Superintendent a written proposal specifying the location, dimensions, and purposes of the desired alteration. The Highway Superintendent shall within ten (10) days of such filing deny same, request further information, or approve same. The Highway Superintendent shall direct the Highway Department, land owner, or occupant filing to effect the alteration at the owner's or occupant's expense. The owner or occupant shall be responsible for any debris or material that comes from such access onto Town property. The Town shall not be responsible for any run-off of water or material that may be allowed to enter the owner or occupant's land because of such access or alteration.

The Building Inspector before issuing a new Building Permit shall first ascertain that the above By-Law has been complied with.

## ARTICLE XVI

### MOBILE HOME RENT CONTROL BY-LAW

Section 1. This By-Law shall be known and may be cited as the "Mobile Home Park Rent Control By-Law".

Section 2. Definitions: For the purposes of this By-Law the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations, shall have the meaning given herein, unless the context in which they are used clearly requires a different meaning.

(1) "Rent Board" and "Board" mean the Mobile Home Park Rent Control Board as established herein.

(2) "Mobile Home" shall mean a dwelling unit built on a chassis and containing complete electrical, plumbing and sanitary facilities, and designed to be installed on a temporary or a permanent foundation for permanent living quarters.

(3) "Mobile Home Park" means a park licensed by the Board of Health pursuant to Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 140 Section 32B.

(4) "Rules and Regulations" means rules and regulations promulgated by the Board.

(5) "Shall" is mandatory; "May" is permissive.

### Section 3. Mobile Home Park Rent Control Board

There is hereby established a Mobile Home Park Rent Control Board to be comprised of three (3) town residents, representing the public and to enforce the provisions of the Brimfield Mobile Home Park Rent Control By-Law except that no such member shall be a landlord renting property, a tenant residing in a mobile home or a person making a living or any portion thereof from the marketing of, sale of, or investment in rental property. Said Board members shall serve at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen. The members in the first instance shall be appointed for terms of one (1), two (2) and three (3) years. Upon expiration of a term of office, the subsequent term shall be for a period of three (3) years.





#### Section 4. Duties and Powers:

(1) The Board shall regulate rents so as to remove hardships or correct inequities for both the owner and the tenant of such mobile home accommodations; set minimum standards for use or occupancy of Mobile Home Park accommodations and evictions of tenants therefrom; May require registration by owners of mobile parks; may require information of said owners relating to their parks under the penalties of perjury.

(2) The Board may make rules and regulations, sue and be sued, compel attendance of persons and the production of papers and information and issue appropriate orders which shall be binding on both the owner and tenant of such Mobile Home Park accommodations.

#### Section 5. Standards For Adjusting Rents.

(1) The Board may make individual or general adjustments, either upward or downward, as may be necessary to assure that rents for Mobile Home Park accommodations are established on levels which yield to owners a fair net operating income for such units.

(2) Fair net operating income shall be that income which will yield a return, after all reasonable operating expenses, on the fair market value of the property, equal to the debt service rate generally available from institutional first mortgage lenders or other such rates of return as the Board, on the basis of evidence presented before it, deems more appropriate to the circumstances of the case.

(3) Fair market value shall be assessed valuation of the property or such other valuation as the Board, on the basis of evidence presented before it, deems more appropriate to the circumstances of the case.

(4) The Board may establish further standards and rules consistent with the foregoing.

#### Section 6. Summary Process.

The Board may regulate evictions of tenants at Mobile Home Parks and may issue orders which shall be defense to an action of Summary Process for possession.

#### Section 7. Review.

(1) The Board and its actions shall be subject to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30A (Administrative Procedures Act) as if the Board were an agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.



(2) Pursuant to Chapter 467 of the Acts of 1986 the Eastern Hampden Division of the District Court department shall have original jurisdiction, concurrently with the Superior Court, of all petitions for review brought pursuant to Section 14 of Chapter Thirty of the General Laws.

(3) The Superior Court shall have jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this By-Law and may restrain violations thereof.

#### Section 8. Penalties.

Violations of this By-Law or any order of the Board shall be punishable by a fine of not more than One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars for any one offense.

#### Section 9. Severability.

If any provision of this By-Law shall be held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this act shall not be affected thereby.

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The above are the By-Laws of the Town of Brimfield as of March 31, 1987. This edition is based on the the listings in the Annual Report of 1984, errata pointed out by the Special Blue-Ribbon By-Law Committee, and changes made at the town meetings since the last printed edition. Any errors, omissions, typos, etc. are the fault of the editor; either he or the Board of Selectmen should be notified. Copies of the By-Laws will be available for sale from the Town Clerk.

Charles Seelig  
Circuit Rider





## TOWN WARRANT

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, ss.

TO THE TOWN CLERK OF BRIMFIELD, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield on MONDAY, the EIGHTEENTH day of MAY 1987 at TWELVE (12) o'clock noon to act on the following:

To give their votes to the election of officers on one ballot for the following Town Officers: One Moderator, three Selectmen, one Assessor, one Elementary School Committee member, one Tantasqua School Committee member, two Board of Health members, one Housing Authority member, two Library Trustees, one Tree Warden, one Trustee--Harriet Harding Fund, one Planning Board member, and two Trustees--Lincoln Library Fund.

The polls will open at TWELVE (12) o'clock noon and will close at EIGHT (8) o'clock in the evening. All business of said meeting except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot shall be considered after SEVEN (7) o'clock in the evening on MONDAY, the ELEVENTH day of MAY 1987 to act on the following:

**Article 1:** To hear reports of the officers and agents heretofore chosen by the Town and take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 2:** To see if the Town will adopt a user fee to generate off-setting revenue for trash collection and disposal expenses, and adopt any enabling acts of the Massachusetts General Laws that may be required for same, or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Finance Committee)

**Article 3:** To see what salaries the Town will allow its officers for the ensuing year. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for various departments and activities of the Town, payment of debts, and defraying of expenses of the ensuing twelve months of July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987 and direct how the same shall be expended or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay unpaid bills or overdrawn accounts for fiscal 1986 or to take any other action thereon.

**Article 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay unpaid bills or overdrawn accounts for fiscal 1987 or to take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 7:** To see what disposition the Town will make of any county dog related reimbursements for the fiscal period July 1, 1987 to June 30, 1988 or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 8:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer certified free cash to reduce the tax rate in fiscal year 1988 or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Finance Committee)

**Article 9:** To see if the Town will transfer to Revenue Sharing sums of money approved for Weatherization Program (\$517) and Scenic Rivers Program (\$900) which remain unencumbered as of May 1, 1987, or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Finance Committee)

**Article 10:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of Revenue in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1987 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4 and to issue a note or notes payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 57, or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Treasurer)

**Article 11:** To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements of allotments by the State and County for highways including bridges or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Treasurer)

**Article 12:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice in some convenient public place of the Town, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town upon tax title procedure provided that Selectmen, or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such a public auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Treasurer and the Tax Collector)

**Article 13:** To see if the Town will RESCIND the by-law pursuant to, and as permitted under, Chapter 467 of the Acts of 1986 establishing a Mobile Home Park Rent Control Board in the Town of Brimfield setting forth the powers and duties of the Mobile Home Park Rent Control Board and establishing standards and procedures, or take any other action thereon.. This Article 5 appeared on the Town Warrant and was voted upon at the town meeting January 6, 1987. (Requested by 27 Brimfield residents)

**Article 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from available funds in the treasury a sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article 15:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the official town map which it ordered to be prepared under Article 55 of the annual town meeting of 1986, said map to be the official town map to the extent it does not accept or abandon roads not otherwise officially accepted,



abandoned, or shown, or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Map Commission)

Article 16: To see if the Town will accept the official zoning map which it ordered to be prepared under Article 55 of the annual town meeting of 1986, said map to be official zoning map, subject to all applicable changes at town meetings since September 12, 1968, or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Map Commission)

Article 17: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds a sum of money (\$ ) to be used to hire a Certified Engineer to transfer to the Official Zoning Map all Zoning Map changes that have been voted at Town Meetings since 1968, and to correct all road and street acceptances and abandonments that have been voted at all previous Town Meetings on both the Zoning Map and the Official Town Map. Said Engineer is to work exclusively from certified copies of actions taken at Town Meetings, and is to record on the maps the article number and date of the Town Meeting which authorized each change. Said work is to be completed under the supervision of the Planning Board, or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Planning Board)

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to provide the necessary funds and services to accomplish the publication of the currently used Assessors' valuation list, or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to accept the following by-law:

The use of tobacco products, including those that are chewed as well as those that are smoked, is prohibited in buildings and vehicles owned, operated by or contracted to the town or school committee, and on land under the control of the school committee.

Or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen with the approval of Dr. Clayton Thomas, M.D.)

Article 20: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, take from Revenue Sharing, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,000.00 for the purchase of portable pagers for the use of the Fire Department or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Fire Department)

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to approve a new line item titled "Payroll for Brimfield Emergency Services Dispatchers" and raise and appropriate, take from Revenue Sharing, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$6,835.00 to fund this line article for the Fiscal Year 1987-1988 or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Fire Department)

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for the purpose of re-roofing an 1800 sq. ft. section of Brimfield Elementary School or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the School Committee)

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,000 for Tri-Link, Inc. of Southbridge, Massachusetts in support of counseling and related

services to be provided to Brimfield children and families for the next year or take any other action thereon. (Requested by Tri-Link)

**Article 24:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, take from Revenue Sharing, borrow, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$15,000 to the Highway Department for the purpose of oiling various roads in town or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Highway Department)

**Article 25:** To see if the Town will vote to take from Revenue Sharing the sum of \$1,500 to continue the erection of street name posts and signs or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Highway Department)

**Article 26:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, take from Revenue Sharing, borrow, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$5,000 to the Highway Department for the purpose of a Bituminous Concrete-Type I and Concrete floor for the Salt Shed as specified in the Contract to the Town of Brimfield or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Highway Department)

**Article 27:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, take from Revenue Sharing, borrow, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$12,000 to repair and/or replace the roof at the Town Barn or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Highway Department)

**Article 28:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,503 to be used in conjunction with and in addition to any funds allotted by the Commonwealth and/or county for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads, or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Highway Department)

**Article 29:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of determining whether or not Foskett Mill Brook and its surrounding watershed is or is not contaminated with toxic and hazardous chemicals and if it is, determine the source of that contamination, or take any other action thereon. (Requested by Dr. Clayton L. Thomas, M.D. for the Board of Health)

**Article 30:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,300 for removal of the asbestos from the basement of the Town Hall, or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen)

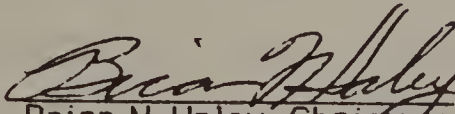
**Article 31:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,000 to raise the amount of the Town's umbrella liability policy from \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 1988 or take any other action thereon. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen)

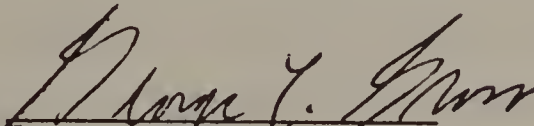
And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in at least five public places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

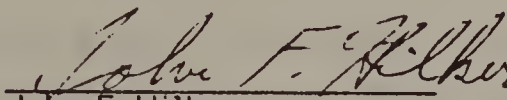
Hereof, fail not, and make our return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the times and place of meeting and election aforesaid.

Given under our hand this SECOND day of APRIL 1987.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

  
Brian N. Haley, Chairman

  
George Gross

  
John F. Hilker

A true copy, ATTEST

Doris Podlasek, Town Clerk



## CIRCUIT RIDER REPORT

FOR ACTIVITIES UP TO APRIL 6, 1987

At this time, it is my regret to say that the Circuit Rider program will be ending on June 30, 1987. The Brimfield Board of Selectmen eliminated the article funding the position at their meeting of April 2, 1987.

However, not all is lost. The Board will be trying to get funding for increased hours for the Selectmen's Clerk. It is not known what the wages, the hours, or the duties of this person will be, but it will overlap in some respects with the Circuit Rider position. In Holland, the article for the Circuit Rider has been taken off the warrant in response to what has happened in Brimfield, but the Administrative Assistant article has remained (it was eliminated from the warrant in Brimfield). This position could be part-time or combined with one or more other positions in Holland.

If I have any fears about the program ending, it is that the projects and matters that I have been working on will not be continued or dealt with. Brimfield has had 8 selectmen in 22 months; not a sign of great continuity. So much of the town's work is based on an oral rather than written tradition which means that if current or new board members do not know something should happen or a problem exists, that far more grief will occur later on when the consequences of inaction appear. These can include the more ordinary matters such as the signing and posting of a warrant, going through the alcohol license proceedings, or looking up matters in the Massachusetts General Laws. But they include larger matters such as projections of revenues and expenditures, solid waste, and insurance. Brimfield can make fewer mistakes by putting together a "crib sheet" of guidelines and information that can be used by future Boards of Selectmen or other town government personnel.

Chas. Kelly  
Salary for FY 1987 - \$17,500

In Holland, the problem is money. Simply put, the basic needs of the town are increasing faster than the revenues the town can collect. For the FY1988 budget, unless the townspeople decide to override Proposition 2 1/2, town services will decrease from this year. One scenario that I have seen would cut the general secretary budget in half. Another shows that after "mandatory" increases in such areas as Hampden County Retirement, Medicare, and Interest on Temporary Loans and level-funding of all other budgets, that the town will have about \$30,000 to \$40,000 to spend on increases in the school, highway, fire, and police budgets. It is very simple. The people who vote at the annual town election on May 11, 1987 can say that they do not want the roads repaired (and even at current service levels, the highway department is falling behind because of the lack of personnel and resources), that the student-teacher ratio should be increased at the school, that there should be fewer police patrols, that the fire equipment should become increasingly antiquated, that the boards and officials that enforce the town's by-laws and the laws and regulations of the state should be paid less or have less money to work with, that the town should not support services which assist our elders or our children, and that the town's ability to deal with a changing environment, responsibilities, and duties should be decreased or that none of these things should happen and that it is the responsibility of the townspeople to fund these areas adequately.

My thanks to all that I have worked with during the past three years and several months. I have learned a great deal from working in the Towns of Brimfield and Holland and all of it will be useful in whatever future I inhabit.

## GOVERNMENTAL INFORMATION

Brimfield is included in the:

Second Congressional District  
Seventh Councillor District  
Worcester--Franklin--Hampden--Hampshire  
Senatorial District  
First Hampden Representative District

### U.S. Senators are:

Edward M. Kennedy  
John S. Kerry

### Congressman, 2nd District is:

Edward P. Boland, Springfield

### State Senator is

Robert D. Wetmore, Barre

### Representative to the General Court is:

William E. Moriarty, Ware

### County Commissioners are:

Thomas J. O'Connor, Chairman  
Leonard J. Collamore  
Richard Thomas



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## INFORMATION FOR BRIMFIELD RESIDENTS

### Business Hours of Town Offices and Committees

TOWN CLERK	Monday 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Town Hall Hours by appointment at her home
TOWN TREASURER	Tuesday evening at the Town Hall 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
TOWN ACCOUNTANT	Every other Tuesday evening at the Town Hall, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.
COLLECTOR OF TAXES	Monday evening 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Town Hall
BOARD OF ASSESSORS	Monday, Wednesday, and Friday: 9-4 p.m. and Monday evening 7:00 to 9:00.
POLICE DEPARTMENT	Monday evening 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Town Hall
BOARD OF SELECTMEN	Tuesday evening, 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	First and Third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall
PLANNING BOARD	First Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall
BUILDING INSPECTOR	Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall
LIBRARY TRUSTEES	First Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Library
BOARD OF HEALTH	First Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall
COUNCIL ON AGING	First Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Hitchcock Academy except July and August
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE	Fourth Tuesday of the month at the Brimfield Elementary School
TANTASQUA REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE	Third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Library of Tantasqua Jr. High School
FINANCE COMMITTEE	Monday evenings January, February, & March--7:30 to 10:30 p.m.; April through December by appointment











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